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A LINE DRIVE HITTER, Ben Rianda shows good form during the Little League Batathon, leading the Hornets with a drive of 146 feet. Overall winners of the competition will be announced April 21 at official opening day ceremonies. Jim Shakal, former league president, current field manager and long-time league stalwart, will be honored by getting to throw out the first ball. Participants in the Batathon, one of the league's major fundraisers, are now collecting pledges made by their families, friends and neighbors. An announcement will be made next month about how much was collected. *Sun photo by Stan Hall*

Mid Valley Fire Seeks to Expand

By Stan Hall

Citing potentially lower costs, better service and greater use of volunteers, the Mid Carmel Valley Fire Protection District wants to take over the county service area fire departments located on Rio Road and near Community Hospital.

Mid Valley's board of directors passed a resolution favoring the consolidation on March 31. At the same time, it asked county supervisors to approve a similar resolution and the county Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) to approve its plan to create a new Carmel Unified Fire Protection District covering Mid Valley and County Service Areas (CSAs) 43 and 39.

Chief Gary Carmichael of the Mid Valley Department estimated the consolidation would result in annual savings of more than $330,000 by eliminating duplicate overhead and administrative costs now being paid by three separate districts.

This savings, he said, would be used to provide better fire protection throughout the proposed new 10.5 square mile district with no increased costs to residents or businesses within it.

The proposed new district would cover an estimated 14,124 residents stretching from Garland Park on the east westward to the eastern edge of Carmel-by-the-Sea. Then paralleling Highway I, it would run from the Carmel River northward to the Monterey City limits and include a small, noncontiguous area along Josselyn Canyon Road.

CSA 43 on Rio Road and CSA 39 by the hospital are now staffed by the California Division of Forestry (CDF) under contract to the county.

Under the proposed consolidation, the new district would take over permanent operation of the Rio Road station. But Carmichael said the future of the station on Highway 68 by Community Hospital was uncertain since he understood the hospital wanted it for additional parking.

Carmichael said the CDF firefighters assigned to those two stations "are good firefighters—as professional as there is."

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Village Group Searches for New Pickup Site for Day-Laborers

A Village group, concerned about the growing numbers of day-laborers congregating on Del Fino Place while awaiting work, agreed to seek county help to relocate the men to a pickup point west of Laureles Grade.

At a meeting April 12 attended by some 20 residents and businesspeople, several alternative locations were discussed before the county's Public Works yard opposite Garland Park was selected as the most viable site.

In deciding to seek to find a new pickup point, participants agreed that the men, most of them Hispanic, were simply trying to find work and had caused no real disturbances. "No one is trying to deny them a right to earn a living," said Lou Allaire, who has a business on Del Fino.

Participants also agreed the laborers were an asset for the people who hired them because they worked hard for relatively low wages and often did jobs no one else would do.

But there was equally widespread feeling that with so many men congregating in the mornings around Kasey's convenience store, three principal problems were threatening to get out of hand. They were:

- Sanitation. With no public toilet facilities readily available to the men, residents recounted how they often relieved themselves behind businesses on the street. Barney J. Belleci, a partner with Mike Kucher in Kasey's, which is a focal point for the waiting men, called the situation "intolerable."
- Parking. With so many men now arriving to await pickup by ranchers, contractors and homeowners, their cars and trucks quickly take up parking in front of many businesses on Del Fino. On the morning of the meeting, Roger Williams, who owns a business in the area, said he counted more than 50 men waiting on the street at 7:40 a.m.
- Fear. Rational or not, fear of the men is growing among at least some residents.

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Zoning Hearings Resume May 1

Planners Accede to Farm Requests

The Monterey County Planning Department has accepted virtually every recommendation of the Central Coast Agricultural Task Force on the proposed new zoning ordinance for unincorporated areas outside the coastal zone.

When hearings on the controversial Title 21 resume before the Board of Supervisors May 1 the atmosphere should be far different from the tempestuous session Feb. 27 at which supervisors were attacked as "urban dictators."

In its recommendation to the Board, the planning department did an about-face on the original ordinance which had been approved by the Planning Commisson 5-2 in June, 1989.

Marshaling its forces against the proposed burdens on farmers, ranchers and wineries, the Task Force sparked such opposition that additional public hearings resulted. Agricultural revenues account for some $1.3 billion a year in Monterey County and are its largest single source of revenue.

In current recommendations to the board, Planning Director Robert Slimmon, Jr. agreed to remove proposed restrictions on landowners' hunting and fishing rights on their own property; on the number of dogs and cats allowed on farms; on farm shops; on setback requirements and the colors which can be used to paint farm buildings.

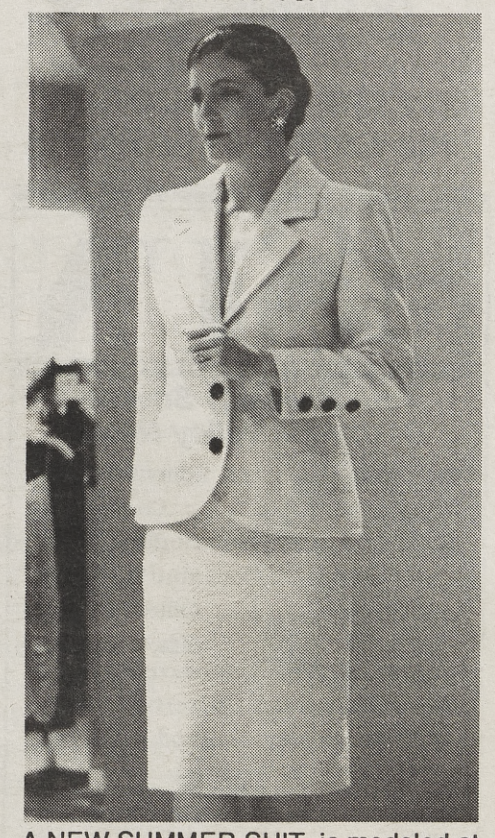
Also removed was a proposal to restrict the height of windmills while the height for various outbuildings was raised to 35 feet.

The requirement for housing use permits on farmland was amended so that up to three residences may be allowed for the owner, operator and on-site employees without a permit.

A broader definition for commercial activities such as wine-tasting and retail sales at county wineries was also recommended by the department in line with the Task Force request.

However, the department said it could not go along with a request that the definition of "scenic highway corridor" not apply in agricultural zoning areas because this would necessitate an amendment to the Monterey County General Plan and various Area Plans with which Title 21 is designed to be consistent.

Further public testimony will be taken at the May 1 hearing and a final hearing was recommended June 5.



A NEW SUMMER SUIT is modeled at Saks Fifth Avenue which will sponsor a Forest Theater benefit fashion show in July. Story on Page 3. *Sun photo by Isabelle Hall.*

LETTERS

Who Promoted Radar?

I read the CVPOA letter disassociating that group with the radar group in your last issue. Who is this radar group? Perhaps you can find out and publish an article about them.

Do we really need to have daily speed traps on Carmel Valley Road? Do we all now know normal drivers who have been caught in the transition zone traps?

It appears to me that the children who see the CHP lurking about with their radar devices are perceiving the police as being out to get people. I would like them to learn to respect and appreciate police services.

Harry E. Rogers
Monterey

The Sun *has carried numerous stories on radar coming to Carmel Valley Road over the past year. The most recent one was Nov. 8 when it became operational. In another story on Oct. 11, the paper reported that the $4590 to pay for the radar was collected by a Citizens for Radar committee, headed by Jack McIlhenney of Del Mesa Carmel. Some members and former officers of CVPOA were instrumental in initiating the idea of using radar to control speeds on the road. Former CVPOA President Dick Nimmons was among the most active. The* Sun *plans to continue to cover the issue of radar when it has been in use long enough to say what effect it has had on traffic.—The Ed.*

Dollar's Worth of Work

A little over 100 years ago, the remnants of the local Indian population were being driven to oblivion in Carmel Valley. The greedy, aggressive white man took over and the Indian quietly disappeared.

The next time you are at Del Fino Place in the Village, take a good look. Those quiet, little men waiting patiently for work are, for the most part North American Indians. Mexican is a nationality—not a race. I for one am glad they are here. I have worked with them and have hired them. They give a dollar's worth of work for a dollar paid, which is more than I can say for some of our local laborers.

I am not a businessman nor do I represent anyone but myself and my family, but if the Village business community will get together and provide a place for them to meet and come up with some minimum facilities for them, I will do anything I can to promote their welfare.

Marvin C. Pylate
Carmel Valley

Something Fishy?

Was it just an ironic turn of events that led Dr. Joseph Noto to pose as a defender of the Carmel River steelhead salmon runs after having run himself as an advocate of development in last year's water board election? Or should we suspect something fishy in Dr. Noto's claims that a new Los Padres dam would keep the Carmel River flowing longer and deeper?

No wonder that Dr. Noto and company relied on a media event to present their case to the public, since the development interests previously represented by Dr. Noto have been remarkably short on facts to prove their blandishments that their concern in building a new dam is to help the little fishies.

Any country bumpkin could plainly see that it would take more rainfall to fill a larger dam, so it would be longer into the rainy season until the dam would be full enough to spill much water into the river. Do we accept Dr. Noto's assurances that the additional water saved by a larger dam would be reserved to keep the Carmel River flowing into summertime, or can we bet dollars to donuts that the new dam would be used to lubricate the many development projects already planned by Dr. Noto's backers?

James D. Craig
Pebble Beach

Say Your Piece
In the *Sun* Letters
Box 931, Carmel Valley 93924

Shut Up the Pups

Ah, Carmel Valley. Ah, beautiful Robles del Rio. The sweet air. The pastoral paradise. Those gorgeous, green hills, the breath of lilac, scent of wisteria, moss-hung oak trees, fragrant bay trees, the gentle breeze, the sunny morning, the twitter of little birds, the charm of their song; Ah, The hush, the peaceful musical silence...the hue, the cry, the howl, the yelp, the bawling, the yapping—of dogs.?!?

The wailing, the chorus, the storm, the clamor, the whining, puling, piping, reboant cacophony of baying, bellowing, the clamorous, stentorian yawping of the curs. Down the canyon, up the hills, down the valley, next door, up the street, on the horizon, far and near, the insistent, unrelenting urgency of these whelps' vociferation during my dawn, my morning, my noon and my evening. This caterwauling ululation of woof-woofing and arf-arfing must cease if I am to remember that nature is lovely here. Has anyone ever heard such an outcry of clamant bow-wowing? Such sounds remind me of a primitive Eskimo Village north of the Arctic Circle, where huskies are raised to pull sleds. Let's organize sled teams, then, and justify the noise! Or let's foxhunt, so that the hounds and we may all enjoy the chase!

Canine owners of Robles del Rio and Carmel Village: If you would put yourselves in my shoes and be a housewife, a writer and an artist, who utterly relies on the quietness of the home environment to function, you'd see your beasts with new eyes. Let us hope you will, and remember two things well: this may be country but it is not Dogpatch; it is your obligation, rather than your option—legally—to shut the pups up. Residents whose peace you disturb have recourse individually and collectively to the Civil Code and may be backed up by the County, which can and will bark back by coming and hauling your mongrels away, if cause to do so be found, registered and confirmed. You mutt see my point!!

Robin Moran
Carmel Valley

Lie or Lay

In "Out and About" for March 7, you wrote, "On a clear night I can lay in bed..." and clearly meant "lie." The implications of "lay" are obvious, aren't they?

That was an otherwise well written piece of local color.

William S. Penn, Jr.
VP/Executive Director, SPELL

Mr. Penn obviously was never put to bed reciting, "Now I lay me down to sleep." It is gratifying to know that we have readers who peruse the Sun so carefully and then take the trouble to write us with corrections and/or praise.—The Ed.

Work Together?

The Carmel Valley Master Plan (CVMP) states unequivocally that when traffic on Carmel Valley Road exceeds a predetermined level, the county must stop issuing building permits until such an environmental impact is mitigated. This level was exceeded in 1988 as determined by the county's own traffic experts. At that point, the county had two choices: it could either comply with the law and issue a building moratorium (and face a lawsuit from builders) or it could reinterpret the traffic data in order to arrive at a level below the limit set forth by law (and face a lawsuit from environmentalists). They chose the latter course.

Such flim-flammery was challenged by environmentalist Virginia Merz and her attorney, Richard Rosenthal, in court as being illegal. Unfortunately, this initial lawsuit and the subsequent appeal were thrown out of court—not on its merits, mind you, but for a procedural reason which was that the plaintiff did not appear to voice her opposition at every stage of the process, otherwise known as "exhausting all administrative remedies." That requirement places undue burdens on the individual citizen, and there is no instance that I am aware of whereby an individual citizen has persuaded a governmental body to reverse itself.

Now, to the point of this letter. If the CVPOA (Carmel Valley Property Owners Association) has the ability to exhaust all administrative remedies because of its many dedicated and competent directors and members, but does not have the resources to file a lawsuit, and if Virginia Merz does have the ability to file a suit but is unable to lay a paper trail, why not combine forces (when both parties concur on an issue) so as to meet the requirements imposed by the courts before they will examine the merits of a lawsuit brought before them. Without such cooperation and coordination between local environmental attorneys and organized homeowners, the county will back away from enforcing the controversial statutes of the CVMP because it has little fear of judicial accountability. Consequently, the quality of life in the Valley will continue to deteriorate.

Jack Arnold
Carmel Valley

Title 21 Misquote

I would like to clear up a misquote made by you in regard to the 2nd to last Title 21 meeting in early March at the Board of Supervisors in Salinas. First of all, I didn't say,"Let the people decide." I said, "Let the people participate" by drafting a vision from each township's property owners association and using those as reference for your title drafts thereby sharing the job of creating legislation. Then you won't be treated like inanimate objects people hurl stones at.

I did not say, "We don't like being told what to do by urban dictators." Someone else said that. One of the main points of what I said was to separate myself from the unproductive name calling that was going on.

I look forward to your paper in the box. I especially like the letters from your readers. I think a whole paper with just letters and editorials about them would be fun and informative.

Paul E. White
Carmel Valley

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Top New York Designer Will Key Forest Theater Benefit

Carolyne Roehm, one of the top New York haute couture designers, is coming to Carmel to stage a fashion show for the Forest Theater's major fundraiser July 11.

Peter Newman, moving force behind the Forest Theater, and Geraldine Raditz, manager of Carmel's Saks Fifth Avenue store, are teaming up to present a gala $100-a-ticket evening at the outdoor theater in the forest. They broke the news Thursday at a Saks fashion show of American and European designs.

"She's got to be one of the hottest designers in the country," Newman said, with enthusiasm for the fashion coup. The unique outdoor theater group hopes to raise $25,000 at the benefit. In addition to heading her own very successful firm, Ms. Roehm is the socialite wife of Wall Street financier Henry Kravis.

"These people need help," said Ms. Raditz, explaining that her company feels it is "part of the community" in deciding to co-host the high fashion event which will be billed as "An Elegant Picnic under the Stars."

Gourmet picnic baskets will be catered by Silver Jones Restaurant at the Barnyard under the direction of Saks Gift Department in New York.

A theater and arts devotee and a native Californian, Ms. Raditz told the *Sun*, "I love the theater and I love the whole idea of a regional group. I happen to think it's a very exciting concept."

She was the buyer for the American Collection at Saks, the nation's leading merchandiser of women's fashions, particularly for the affluent, with annual sales in the $1 billion range. After five years in New York City and a total 25 years as a buyer, Ms. Raditz was named manager of the local store 18 months ago.

Newman, a vice president of Prudential Bache, has galvanized the theater group into new directions. In addition to staging three major plays this summer, Forest Theater will take one of the performances, "The Merry Wives of Windsor," on tour in Monterey, Santa Cruz and San Benito Counties as part of the OutReach program, presenting free shows at Soledad Prison and various other sites.

For the first time, the theater is also offering an apprentice program for high school students to learn theater arts. Newman said he also hopes to see an endowment fund created to offer scholarships.

PETER NEWMAN, MOVING FORCE behind the Forest Theater's fundraising efforts, looks bemused watching Saks Fifth Avenue's presentation of its American and European collection last week. The Carmel Plaza store is bringing New York designer Carolyne Rohem here in July to stage a high fashion "Picnic Under the Stars" benefit for the theater.

Sun photo by Isabelle Hall.

Fundraisers Set for Next Weekend by Youth Center, CHS, All Saints'

Three major events to raise money for worthwhile causes will be held in the area next weekend, offering residents a chance to try their luck at the gaming tables, place a silent bid on a stuffed 11-foot marlin or get the school board to cook dinner for them.

Beneficiaries of all this activity will be Carmel High and All Saints' schools and the Carmel Valley Community Youth Center.

The events are:

The eighth annual **Monte Carlo Night**, the major fundraiser of the year for the community youth center in the Village. Set for April 28 from 8 p.m. until midnight at Hidden Valley, it is an evening of chance with professional croupiers at gaming tables and slot machines.

Participants have the chance to win from an assortment of prizes including merchandise, hotel/resort accommodations, restaurant meals, shopping or theater certificates and tickets to Disneyland.

Tickets are $15 at the door or at the community center and include a free drink ticket, a sumptuous buffet and a chance at seven raffle prizes. Call 659-3983 for more information.

Splendors of Spring, a silent auction sponsored by the Carmel High School Padre Parents Club. It will be held April 28 from 5:30 to 8:30 at the Carmel Youth Center. Among the 40 auction items are golf lessons and clubs, a week-long clinic at Carmel Valley Racquet Club, and a barbecue dinner for six prepared by School Superintendent Bob Infelise and the school board. Tickets are $15 apiece or $25 for a couple, They may be purchased in advance by sending a check to P. O. Box 222780, with all proceeds going to purchase educational materials for use by students at the high school.

Third Annual Spring Auction and Dinner, benefitting All Saints' Episcopal Day School. It will be April 29 starting at 5 p.m. at Carmel Valley Golf and County Club. Auctioneer Ray Gianolini will be seeking bids on such items as a weekend for four at the Draper Vineyards in Napa, a jet helicopter tour of the Big Sur area, a yachting party for eight, a set of classic Ben Hogan irons and a mounted 11-foot marlin caught and donated by All Saints' alumnus Mary Elizabeth Moore. In addition to the live auction, more than 300 items will be up for silent bids. Tickets are $60. Call 624-9171 for more information.

Positive Thoughts

Herman & Miriam Fickewirth

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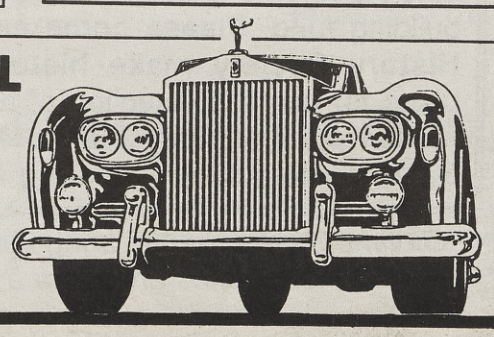

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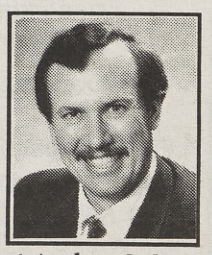

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SHERIFF'S LOG

RANCHO CANADA. A tourist reported his golf clubs were stolen at the club 3/17. 4/2

MID VALLEY. Three juveniles broke into Carmel Bicycle at Valley Hills, were caught when a doorman at Quail Lodge heard the alarm go off, and were turned over to their parents. 4/2.

Mail Theft Continues

VILLAGE. A $377 check, made out to an insurance company and left in a mailbox to be picked up 3/7, was returned to a resident in the bank statement. It had been altered, endorsed by a Donna Hopkins and cashed. 4/3.

VILLAGE. A woman on Holman Road reported vandals damaged three of the tires on her car. 4/4.

CARMEL RANCHO. The manager of Panache Collections reported the theft of a flowerpot from outside the store. 4/5.

VILLAGE. An employe of Graciella's Italian Restaurant reported several flower pots had been broken behind the business and the back screen door damaged. 4/5.

PALO COLORADO CANYON. A resident reported a dispute with two people who came to her front door. 4/5.

PALO COLORADO CANYON. The same woman reported later that someone had broken the windshield of her parked car. 4/5.

VILLAGE. A man reported a .44 magnum pistol was stolen from his truck while he was working on a construction project on Punte Del Monte. 4/5.

MID VALLEY. A clerk at Safeway reported his 3/1 paycheck had been solen and cashed. 4/6.

RIO ROAD. A woman reported losing her purse near the Post Office. 4/6.

MID VALLEY. A man on Tierra Grande reported not receiving mail he was expecting; suggested it may have been stolen. 4/7.

VILLAGE. A man reported his daughter found a bicycle hidden in the trees at Carmel Valley Road and Shutters Lane. 4/7.

MID VALLEY. A woman on Tierra Grande reported hearing what sounded like gunshots near her home. 4/7.

Ladder Pilfered

CARMEL RANCHO. The manager of Brintons reported a man walked out of the store with a ladder without paying for it. 4/8.

VILLAGE. A resident reported his son's 5-speed bicycle was stolen from the front porch of their home on Quien Sabe. 4/8.

CROSSROADS. A Safeway employe reported a man had stolen some money from the store on 4/7. 4/9.

CROSSROADS. A security guard took a man into custody for being drunk in public. 4/10.

VILLAGE. A woman reported a neighbor had cut down trees on her property on Encina Drive while she was away for a week. 4/10.

MID VALLEY. A juvenile, apprehended for stealing a pint of vodka, was turned over to his mother. 4/11.

SLEEPY HOLLOW. A resident reported the theft of mail from his mailbox. 4/11.

CARMEL RANCHO. An alarm went off at Carmel Rancho Liquors at Garzone's Market, but deputies found nothing was taken; a "bluff" safe had been ransacked, however. 4/11.

RIO ROAD. A Long's employe cited a man for petty theft. 4/12.

Jewelry Missing

MID VALLEY. A Del Mesa Carmel resident reported jewelry was taken from her home some time between 12/15/88 and 4/9/90. 4/12.

VILLAGE. A deputy, alerted by a "be on the lookout for" bulletin, recognized and arrested a man in front of Kasey's on misdemeanor warrants. 4/12.

VILLAGE. A few minutes later, the deputy saw and arrested a man in the same area who was wanted on felony warrants. 4/12.

WEBELOS FROM DEN 5, Pack 27, learn how newspapers are put out from Stan Hall, editor of the *Sun*. They visited the paper April 11 as part of their efforts to earn their communicators' certificates. Clint Bigham, Andrew Retherford, Kurt Lunquist, Devin Dombrowski, Sage Scherman and Zephyr Andrew made the visit, accompanied by adult leaders Gregg Scherman and Terry Dombrowski.

Sun photo by Isabelle Hall

CV History Society Raises Funds For Permanent Park Headquarters

Wasting little time, the Carmel Valley History Society scheduled a two-day yard sale April 21-22 to begin raising money to pay for a permanent home.

The fundraiser, to be held at Rosie's Cracker Barrel on Esquiline, comes less than three weeks after the regional park district board of directors gave conceptual approval to providing a permanent place for the society,

It said the society can use the main room at the Cooper Ranch addition to Garland Park for four years, at which time the park district will provide land in the same area on which the society can build its on headquarters.

Stew Clough, president of the society, said all of the money raised by the yard sale would go into a special building fund to help pay for the move into the ranch house and toward construction of a permanent headquarters.

He said donations still are welcome for the sale, which will feature art items, office and camping equipment, dishes and other items. The sale starts at 8 a.m. both Saturday and Sunday and refreshments will be on sale.

"We have some really outstanding items in our sale—high quality things," said Clough, "and, of course, it will help build a permanent home that we've dreamed about for years. You can't imagine how much good historical material we have that is simply filed away in storage now where noone can enjoy it."

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Oldtimers are urged to bring their own wine and beer and sit with their friends and have a drink at Rosie's bar again.

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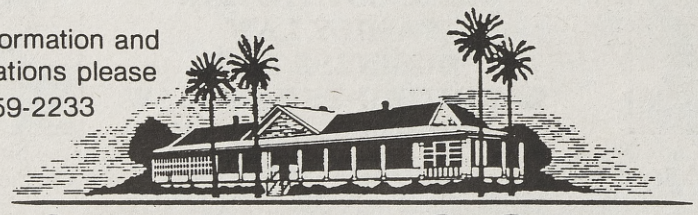

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CVPOA Continues Opposition

Garland Remains Closed to Bicycles for Now

Regional Park District Manager Gary Tate said Garland Park and the Cooper Ranch addition to it remain closed to all bicycles until final details are completed to open up some parts to them.

Meantime, opposition to opening Cooper Ranch to bicyclists persisted as the Carmel Valley Property Owners Association (CVPOA) reaffirmed an earlier vote against it. "We just don't feel this is the right use for the property," a spokesman said.

There was no indication how long it would take before limited bicycle use will be permitted—either by mountain bikers on Cooper Ranch or by youngsters from their nearby neighborhoods to the Little League park.

The regional park district board of directors approved in concept the idea of opening the 145-acre Cooper Ranch to mountain bikes and a section along the river so young bikers could get to the ball field without having to get on Carmel Valley Road.

But Tate said bikers and other members of the public can not use Cooper Ranch until the park district obtains a use permit from the county. The application for that permit must include an archaeological inventory, biologic survey, an access management plan and other information about public use of the property.

Similarly, the park district said a new bike route to provide more direct access to the Little League park must also await the issuance of a modified use permit from the county. The existing permit, issued by the county in 1988 for a small parking lot adjacent to the Trail & Saddle Club, contains specific limitations imposed after protests by several neighbors. One of the conditions is that no bicycles will be permitted on the de Dampierre addition to Garland Park which is the property connecting the Garzas area with Robles del Rio.

While Little League season is now underway, the park district estimated it will take several months to get a modified use permit from the county.

All bicycles were banned from Garland Park some two years ago after they were allowed on some trails, leading to conflicts between bikers and horsemen and hikers. The plan to allow bicycles to use the Cooper Ranch addition calls for horses to be banned from that area of the park. Hikers will be able to share trails with the bikes, but both sides in the long-simmering controversy over bicycle use say that keeping horses and bikes on separate trails is essential.

Tate appeared before the CVPOA board meeting April 11, urging it to withdraw its opposition. But after lengthy debate, the board again voted against bicycle riding in Cooper Ranch. It had also voted against it in March.

Rod Mills, chairman of the CVPOA's Roads and Trails Committee, said: "Even though bike riding is currently prohibited at Garland Park, we are aware of regular, repeated violations by some cyclists. If the regional park district can't enforce its policy of total prohibition, how can they enforce a modified policy restricting cyclists only to the Cooper Ranch addition? The proximity of the trails also raises great concern for the safety of hikers and horsemen."

LOCAL MERCHANTS contributed to planting a cheerful array of flowers to brighten up the entrance to Del Fino Plaza. *Sun photo by John Anderson*

Garland Park to Mark Earth Day, Trail Day

Events at Garland Park on April 22 will mark the fifth annual Trail Day and the 20th anniversary of Earth Day.

Work parties will perform parking lot landscaping and trail maintenance during the morning, interpretive hikes and guided tours od the Cooper Ranch addition will be held in the afternoon and an informal social hour at the Visitors Center will start at 3:30 p.m.

Volunteers for the work party were asked to bring lunch, water, gloves and landscaping tools.

Separately, Friends of the Park District and former board member Ruth Crawford will host a hike to the Blomquist Open Space on April 28. Those wishing to take the 8-10 mile hike along a flat ranch road at a moderate pace should meet at the Garland Park parking lot at 8:45 a.m. Hikers are advised to bring lunch, water and sturdy hiking shoes. For information, telephone 659-4488.

Showers Bring Scant Relief

Showers dropped .26 of an inch of rain on the Village April 16, volunteer weather observer Graham Matthews reported. Before the showers, 10.89 of rain had fallen so far this season in the Village, significantly behind an average of 16.67 at this time.

Murphy Hearing Reset for April 27

A hearing has been reset for April 27 on state and county motions to disallow John A. Murphy's first line of defense against charges he illegally graded miles of roads on his Little Horse Ranch in the protected coastal zone.

A hearing on the motions by the state attorney general's office, the county counsel's office and the district attorney's office originally had been scheduled for April 6, but it was put off.

Murphy has been accused of grading or regrading roads on the 4,300 acre ranch without obtaining a permit for development in the coastal zone.

He has contended that state and county authorities were aware of the grading overlooking Garrapata State Park and gave at least tacit approval of it.

Panetta Seeks Interns

Students who want to intern in the Washington office of Rep. Leon Panetta, D-Carmel Valley, this summer must apply by May 5.Those interested in the unpaid position, which runs from June through September, should call Paneta's local office or send a postcard requesting an application to Panetta at 339 Cannon House Office Building, Washington, D. C., 20515.

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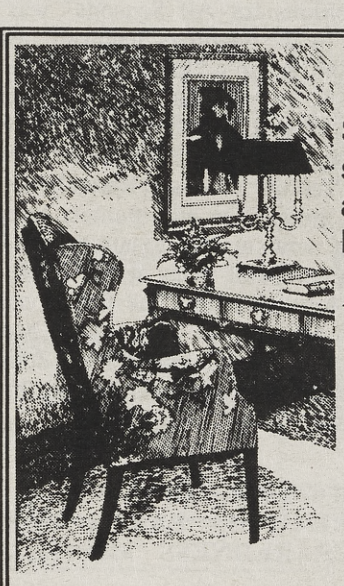

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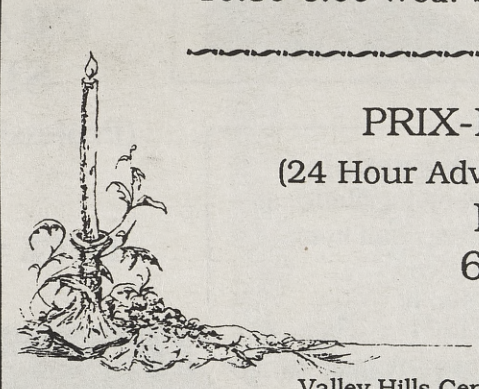

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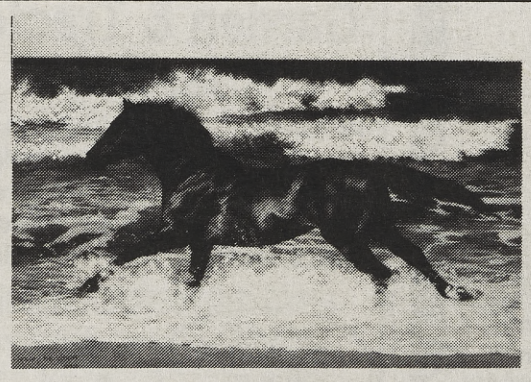

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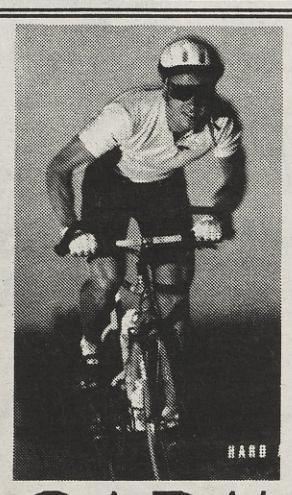

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Cachagua Seeks Blind Curves Widened After 2nd Bus Accident

Spurred by a second car-schoolbus accident in two months, Cachagua residents are campaigning to get at least two blind curves on Cachagua Road widened.

Ana Iverson-Cox, president of the Cachagua Area Property Owners Association, said a petition was being circulated and a letter prepared to send to the Board of Supervisors.

On April 4, a car and a schoolbus collided at Nason Curve near the Pack station. A spokesman for the highway patrol said there were no injuries.

But Mrs. Iverson-Cox said it was the second collision between a car and a schoolbus at the same location in the last two months. A child on the bus was injured in the earlier wreck when she hit her mouth on the back of the seat, she said.

She added that a soldier from Ft. Ord was killed in the same location last summer and numerous other accidents had occurred there. In addition to asking that Nason curve be widened, Mrs. Iverson-Cox also said the group wanted to have a similar blind curve near the Galante Vineyard widened. She said five accidents had occurred there in the past two months.

Ileene Crane-Franks, a Valley Realtor who is treasurer-coordinator for the Carmel Valley Property Owners Association (CVPOA), noted that a blind curve on Tassajara Road near Search Ranch had recently been widened for some $20,000 less than what had been budgeted. She said Cachagua residents had asked at the time that the surplus be spent to help widen Nason curve.

Mrs. Iverson-Cox said despite a citizens' advisory committee vote against it, Monterey County had designated Cachagua Road as a scenic drive, creating extra traffic and encouraging drivers unfamiliar with the narrow, winding road to use it.

Quiet Carmel Vote Gives Mayor 2nd Term

With just 51 percent of the voters turning out, incumbent Jean Grace, a 54-year-old teacher, was reelected handily to a second two-year term as mayor of Carmel-by-the-Sea where the prime issue was how to preserve the city's quaint charm from overdevelopment.

The blonde Monterey Peninsula College instructor defeated Elinor Laiolo, 62, a retired school teacher who had given up her city council seat to challenge the mayor. Ms. Grace won with 62.3 percent of the vote.

Councilman Bob Fischer, a 63-year-old retired assistant Carmel police chief, who spent the least money on his campaign, got the most votes—1,502—in the election to win a second four-year term in the three-way race for city council. He was first elected to office with Mayor Clint Eastwood in 1986.

A relative newcomer to the political scene in the one square-mile city, Barbara Brooks, 55, defeated Carla Ramsey, 56, a real estate agent and chairman of the Carmel Planning Commission. Ms. Brooks, also a retired school teacher and past president of the 674-member Carmel Residents Association, garnered 1,233 votes to 715 for Ms. Ramsey. The city has 3,964 registered voters.

The proliferation of new and remodeled houses is changing the little village atmosphere of Carmel and causing concern among residents. Design review standards are under consideration at City Hall.

Peninsula Volunteers Hold Yearly Luncheon

Monterey Peninsula Volunteer Services held its annual spring luncheon at Hacienda Carmel April 11, saluting members of their past year of service.

"Fashions for All Seasons" was presented by the members, featuring fashions from the group's Thrift Shop in Seaside which is its principal source of income. Lillian French was chairman of the event, assisted by Kathryn Taylor, Marge Davis, Grace Van Der Meer and Karen Jensen.

The group is an all volunteer organization of women who donate the proceeds from the sale of items at the Thrift Shop to aid local charities. The shop, located at 755 Broadway, is open 11-3 Monday through Saturday. Members said donations are always welcome and pickups may be arranged.

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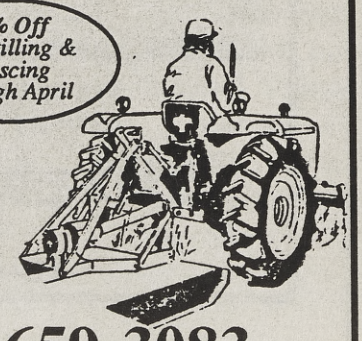

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TROWEL & HOE

By Mark Eaton

Citrus and Microclimates

As Monterey Peninsula gardeners, we are in a unique and blessed situation: we can grow citrus outdoors.

A good percentage of California, parts of Arizona and the southernmost regions of the Gulf Coast states, from Texas to Florida, are the only areas in the continental United States where this is possible.

The winters are simply too cold throughout the rest of the country for the trees to survive.

Ours is not the ideal climate, though. Parts of Southern California may hold that distinction. Orange County, which used to have more citrus orchards than strip malls and housing tracts, might be the near perfect climate.

But by understanding the effects of microclimates around our homes, we can be very successful with citrus here on the Central Coast. The term microclimate has a semi-technical ring to it, but it has more to do with common sense than anything else.

A microclimate is a small area, perhaps only several square feet, where the climate is different from the general climate of the area.

It is the interaction of sun, heat and cold with the physical characteristics of a small area. It varies with the time of year and how high or low the sun is in the sky.

The summer sun is at a high angle, providing more warmth. The winter sun is low and therefore cooler.

The main thing to know about citrus trees is the more heat they get, the better they like it. It helps the plant to grow faster and helps ripen the fruit.

A southern exposure, fairly close to a wall is probably the ultimate spot in a Peninsula garden to grow citrus. The wall will usually reflect heat during the day and radiate stored up heat at night. Find the hottest spot in your garden and plant your citrus tree there!

Remember they are excellent container plants. Planted in a container from a 5-gallon can, a citrus will thrive in a pot of 16 to 20 inches in diameter for many years.

Be aware that on a sloping plot, the lowest spot is the coldest spot, so don't put your citrus there. Reserve that area for a peach tree.

Since moving here from the Bay Area last year, I have seen some outstanding specimens of orange and lemon trees. I have even seen some in Pebble Beach and Pacific Grove. Visit the nurseries to see the incredible variety of citrus fruits that can be grown here. Dwarf varieties are perfect for the home gardener, as their ultimate height rarely exceeds eight feet.

As impressive as a rhododendron is in bloom, as delightful as a well-groomed rose garden can be, there is nothing that strikes me as more magical than a healthy orange tree in someone's front yard, loaded with fruit.

And then to have the opportunity to sink your teeth into a home-grown, tree-ripened naval orange—as the wise man once said: "It doesn't get any better than this."

THINGS TO DO:

- Spray for aphids NOW. They are probably the easiest of the insects to eradicate, but left to their own devices, they will quickly multiply and damage about two thirds of the species in your garden.
- Warmer weather greatly accelerates the growth of annual flowers. Pinch off flowers as they fade for continued bloom. This prevents the setting of seed.
- A shot of fertilizer containing some nitrogen is welcome for all new plants. Established plants, such as citrus and other fruit trees, need nitrogen for green growth to form the fruit.
- Mulch to conserve water! Plants that need water to get through the summer will benefit from a layer of organic material, such as fir bark compost.

Mark Eaton is a partner in the Valley's Begonia Gardens Nursery. He has a degree in horticulture, is a Certified California Nurseryman and has 18 years nursery experience.

What's Blooming

Tulip (Tulipa) These brightly colored bulbs are in bloom throughout the area. Excellent as container plants or mass in the garden where sun is available most of the day during blooming period. Rich, sandy soil preferable. In hot summer areas, bulbs are recommended for planting under decidious trees for light shade. Plant bulbs in November or December. *Sun photo by Isabelle Hall*

Wildflower Show at P.G.

The 29th Annual Wildflower Show will be held April 20-22 at the Pacific Grove Museum of Natural History. Titled "Native Wildflowers Near My Home," the show features species from throughout the county. A $1 donation is requested.

Cactus and Succulent Plant Show Planned

The Monterey Bay Area Cactus and Succulent Society will hold its 5th annual show and plant sale April 28-29 at Jardines de San Juan Restaurant courtyard in San Juan Bautista.

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Brush Strokes *The Art Scene*

Three Artists in Two Shows

By Anita DeCarlo

Carolyn Berry's mixed media and Marjorie Faris' monoprints, both at the Marjorie Evans Gallery at Sunset Center, display well together: they're both abstract—no, more specifically, they're allusive or metaphoric artists; and all the paintings are the same size. Those are first impressions, the similarities. A thoughtful absorption unfolds the differences, the more you look the more you see.

During the several occasions I was in the gallery other people were in the gallery and were visibly and audibly perplexed.

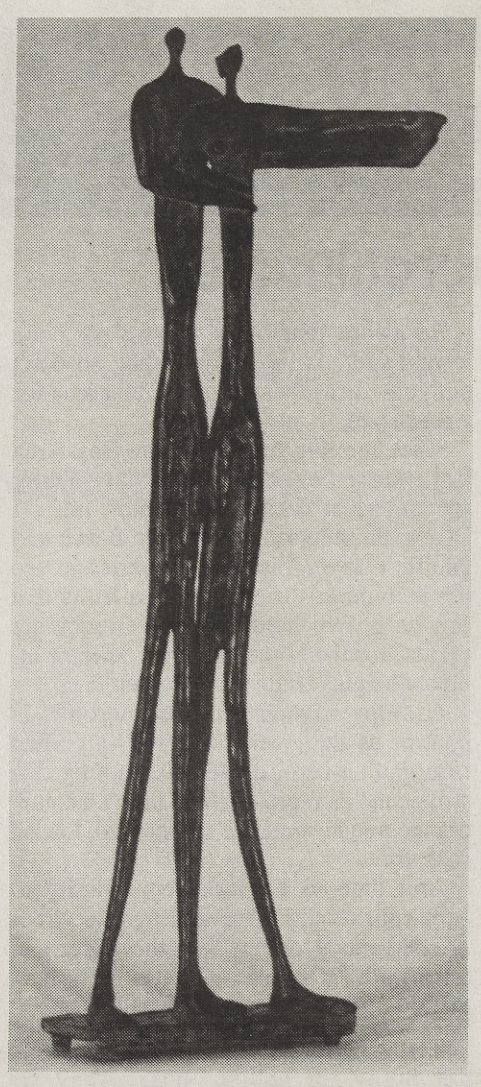
I often see this response to any art that is less than realism. In this country we really have no history of fixed traditions, and historically have accepted illustration as fine art: we have more or less demanded art that could be understood by the majority—a reflection of our classless society and democratic institutions. By the same token in the last half century this classlessness and egalitarian nature has promoted a competitiveness and desire for constant innovation that marks American art (music, dance, drama, literature as well as the visual arts) just as it marks our social and economic life. But the majority are still viewing innovative art in the old context of realism.

The only context is aesthetics. The art can be real or impressionistic, expressionistic, abstract, allusive, metaphoric or a combination of any of the above but, if not created out of aesthetic concerns, it is not art.

You've heard that song from me before. But that is the basis on which I review any art. Whether I'd hang it on my wall or not is neither here nor there. I may hang an ancient bleached bone with God's own aesthetics on my wall and something just as artful not. What I'm getting at is the need to look beyond individual emotional responses in order to make aesthetic judgment.

One viewer I overheard looking at Berry's paintings chose not to look beyond her emotional impression that the artist was disturbed. My thoughts are these: the artist is not disturbed; she is disturbing! And in the act of being able to arouse emotional response through her choice of primary colors, blacks, angularities, zooming spaces she has been "effective." She has affected her viewer. Just as when we speak to someone we wish to elicit a certain response and we phrase our words and modulate our voice to control our message to elicit the response we desire. Ask any politician. Sometimes the choice of words and the voice expression don't match and we get a confused message. Think back over the "I love you's" in your life.

A painting is just another language where everything needs to match. In some of Berry's paintings everything is a match. "Dream on Visit to Concordia" (#13) takes the viewer through two "windows" into a dreamy infinity of space. Foreground, middleground, farground are well defined—no confusion between logistic placement of shapes and space that color creates. Confusion between logistic space and placement of color is the biggest problem an artist working with an extraction from the recognizable sources runs into. For example, in the first painting a figure is alluded to in the foreground with whom we view through a window to a door and through the door. These receding spaces



A sculpture by Evert van Hemert on display at Sculpture House & Gardens.

are clear except a red band of such intensity and overlapping edge which has been placed in middleground logistically, cannot stay there, exists visually closer than anything in the rectangle.

Her second painting has a similar problem. The third and the fourth work very well, including the design of the unpainted areas in the fourth. In the tenth painting, "Her Mother's House," the green tree on the right is explicitly foreground by virtue of tying it to a border of the rectangle in the same color, but the intensity of the floating red violets defy this placement. No cop-outs allowed by saying, "It's an abstract." The painting itself says, "I don't work." The artist can do anything he wants to the paper (canvas). But that first mark tells him what to do next. All the parts are interdependent. They have to match. Hot bright can go back, cold muted come forward, depending on logistic placement of shape and edge interaction. They have to match.

Marjorie Faris solves that problem: her monoprints are black and white. Actually, that would be mixing apples and oranges. As in photography, black and white has its own set of virtues and vices. The artist must more subtly create a world. Shape and edge become most critical: value and texture crucial. the overall impact of both the "China Portfolio" and "The Dreams of the Animals" is powerful in their pervasive quietness, serenity, subtle motion. You see, they are so very different in emotive message and method from Berry's work. They affect the viewer differently. As in good black and white photography, color is not missed: we can feel a cold wind, sense a presence, weigh the earth against a dark night.

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Evert Van Hemert's acrylics on paper begin to use color and so I miss it. It is tentative and not understood. The forms in the paintings are sculptural masses, powerfully formed with dramatic values. He confessed to me that painting scared him, that it was a terrifying adventure, that he was a painter before he became a sculptor. His paintings forfeit the pursuit of color and development of the two dimensional surface in terms of the space of color. As drawings they are close relatives of his sculptures reaffirming his alignment with Han Dynasty Chinese horses, the bulls of Crete and Etruscan figures. He quite honestly owned up to what inspired him when I brought up the similarities to him. He

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A night of Far Eastern cuisine led by television cooking show host Martin Yan is being planned by the Kiwanis Club of Carmel-by-the Sea to benefit Hospice and Meals on Wheels of the Monterey Peninsula.

A food and wine tasting reception is scheduled from 6 to 7:30 p.m. at the Sheraton Monterey Hotel May 9 followed by a cooking demonstration from Yan, author of four cookbooks and owner of the "Yan Can International Cooking School."

Joining in the preparation of oriental treats will be chefs from several local Chinese and Japanese restaurants, including; Chef Lee, Monterey; China Gourmet, Carmel; Chinese Village, Seaside; Golden Buddha, Carmel; and Hamaichi, Carmel. Wine will be contributed by Schleffell Somerset Wines, among others.

Tickets at $40 each are available through Center Stage Ticketing at 649-5561.

ART HAPPENINGS

Members of the Central Coast Art Association will have works on display at the Carmel Valley manor Gallery April 27-May 29. Hours are 9-5p.m. daily.

Carmel photographer Rosario Mazzeo will present a retrospective show of, "Photographic Images, 1950-1990," at the Pacific Grove Art Center at an opening 7-9 p.m., April 20.

The Monterey Peninsula Museum of Art has an exhibit, "Precious Place: Minority Costume and Textiles of Guizhou, China," on display through July 22. The museum also has an exhibit honoring local collectors and selected works in black and white from their collections through June 30.

The Forest Theater Guild is selling "Brigadoon" posters by Martin Weekly to help defray the costs of outreach and summer programs. They are based on an original painting valued at $6,000.

April 23-29 Is Art Week in Pacific Grove

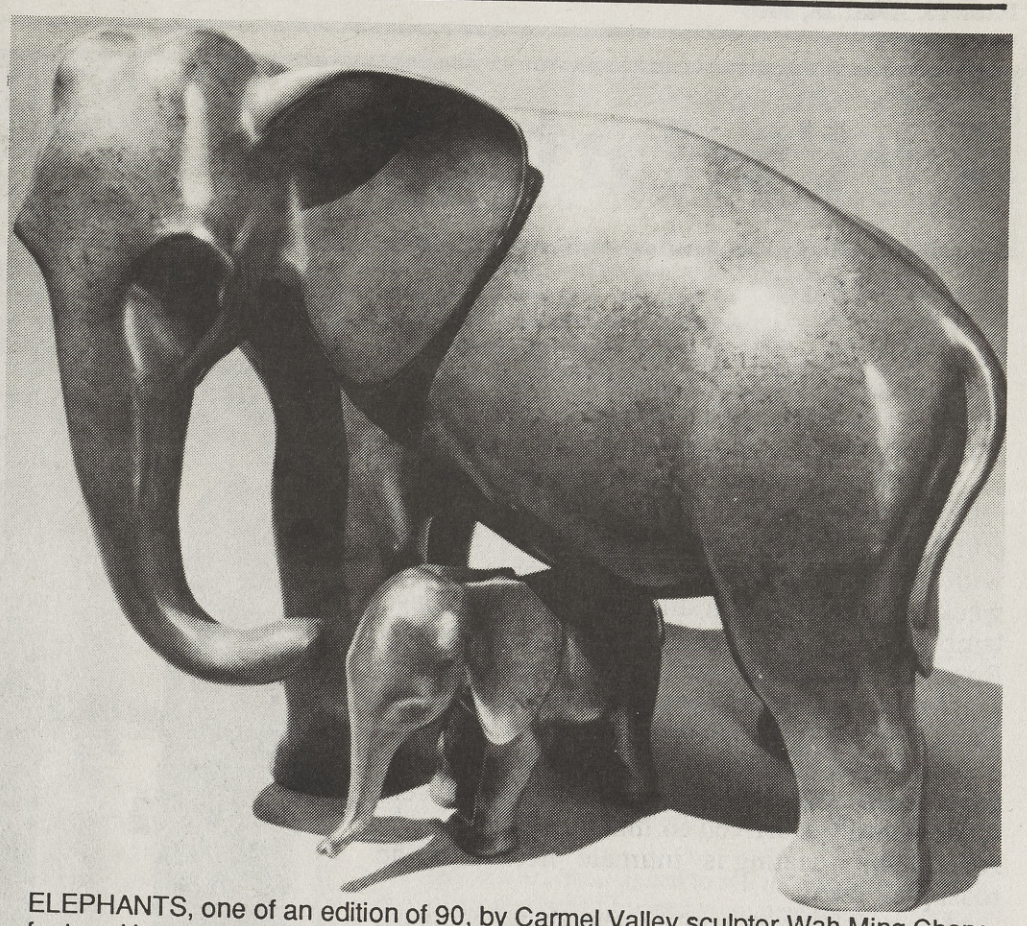
Mayor Morris G. Fisher of Pacific Grove has proclaimed the week of April 23-29 as Pacific Grove Art Center Week. The center is celebrating its 21st year of non-profit service to the citizens of Pacific Grove and neighboring communities. A Patrons' Show will be held April 27 to encourage support of the center.

Historic Homes Tour in Carmel-By-the-Sea

A dozen historic homes will be open to the public April 22 in Carmel-by-the-Sea in the city's "80 Acres" tract that runs from Ocean Avenue to 11th Avenue and from Junipero to Forest Street.

Among the historic homes on view will be a recently-restored residence built by the city's master builder, M.J. Murphy, and a recently-restored house built in 1920 by artists George and Catherine Comstock Seideneck.

Tickets may be purchased for $7.50 at the Forest Theater at the start of the tour where refreshments will be served. It is sponsored by the Carmel Heritage and will be conducted by members of the Carmel Historical Survey.



ELEPHANTS, one of an edition of 90, by Carmel Valley sculptor Wah Ming Chang featured in a book, "The Life and Sculpture of Wah Ming Chang" by David Barrow and Glen Chang, the sculptor's wife. The mother and baby elephant sculpture is 8 by 10 inches. Chang is a member of the Carmel Art Assocation. His work is on display there and at 20 different galleries from Florida to Hawaii.

Brush Strokes

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feels what is beautiful is beautiful whenever and wherever we find it.

Van Hemert was here briefly for the presentation of his work at Sculpture House and Gardens in Carmel Highlands and has returned to the Netherlands. I think he has successfully rendered sculptural forms in the styles in which they were originally created 2,000 years ago. As he matures as an artist, I would hope to see him put his considerable skill and appreciation of beautiful form into more personal and original statements.

N.B. Do go to see the Dominguez boys' show at Carmel Valley Manor. I will include it in next issue's review, May 2.

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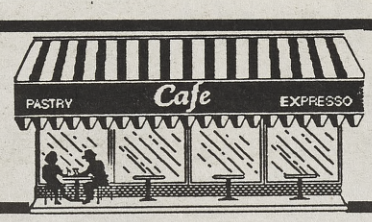

La Boheme

Of the 40-plus restaurants in Carmel, La Boheme is, perhaps, the most unusual in several respects. It offers only one set meal per evening—really a sensible way to go for a small restaurant— printing a monthly menu which is left on a chair outside so strollers along Dolores can peruse the choices and see what night they want to come. If you don't care for breast of chicken with pate and wine sauce, for example, in one week you could pick a different night and have lamb in red wine and rosemary sauce, tournedos Rossini, veal scallops with eggplant and peppers, roast pork, a fresh fish or beef tournedos—just about something for everyone.

On my first visit last winter, the cook had prepared lamb stew and it was delicious. On a recent visit, four of us arrived in time to snag the only round table—seating is "intimate" here— for the roast pork meal.

Almost as soon as you are seated and choose a wine, the cheerful waitress brings you a generous platter of antipasto to share. This is nicely arranged and as tasty as it looks with fresh, crisp lettuce forming a bed for salami, tomatoes, black olives, green onions and cucumber, an appetizing starter served with excellent, yeasty, fresh French bread and sweet butter.

Next, a copper tureen of soup is brought steaming from the kitchen. You help yourself. Our soup was rather weak that evening, a vegetable broth with carrots, cabbage, onions, celery. It needed substance and flavoring.

Slices of roast pork were served next in a creamy, white wine sauce with Granny Smith apple slices. A generous dish of dilled carrots and green beans was passed—much like you might have at home, family-style. (My Friend

disagreed. He said he doubted many people would serve roast pork in cream sauce at home.) Actually, the pork would have been tastier in a homemade gravy.

Desserts do bring a choice--the first of the evening--and can range from creme brulee to chocolate torte and apple crisp. The creme brulee was served warm, and, as a result the burnt sugar topping had not candied on top of cold custard as it usually is presented but it had a luscious flavor. The chocolate was properly intense and the apple crisp just the right contrast of tart fruit and rich buttery crumbs.

The three-course dinner is $17.75. Desserts and beverage are extra.

It is fun to eat family-style once in awhile and this is such a funky little room, it provides an offbeat evening out. Styled in the European manner, La Boheme has flowered tablecloths, pots of dried flowers, country furniture and a wonderful fake blue sky dotted with white clouds floating over a red roof to create a little Provencal country scene. There is even a minute dining area within the little dining room, sheltered under another tiny roof. You might, indeed, expect the heroine to come out and sing her aria to the starving artist.

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Three new restaurants are opening up in Carmel Valley this spring. We will visit them in time but all sound quite different and appear to be offering their own style of food.

Anchoring the Valley Hills Shopping Center just three miles east of Highway 1 is Shanty Malone's which is open for breakfast, lunch and dinner with country-style menus that sound inviting, including Rock fish caught off the Big Sur coast. George Malone, former owner of the Big Sur Inn for 15 years, has linked up with Ken Weeks—chef at Clint Eastwood's Hog's Breath Inn in Carmel for two years— and Jenny Coon who worked at River Inn for 12 years.

On the outskirts of Carmel Valley Village next to the library, Joseph Sturgill has just opened Joey's featuring steaks, ribs, hamburgers and a soup and salad bar where you can have all you can eat. He has revamped the location which used to house a Chinese restaurant more than a year ago.

Nearby on Del Fino Place, a couple with Belgian origins—Francoise de Poorter and Marc Vandenhoven—will be opening Casa Bella May 5. They intend to fashion it after the Fishmonger which they bought from Danielle Barduzzi, owner of The Ridge, and will offer French Continental food with a fish market and an Italian market. Vandenhoven has 25 years experience in the food business and most recently was at the Golden Gate Holiday Inn in San Francisco.

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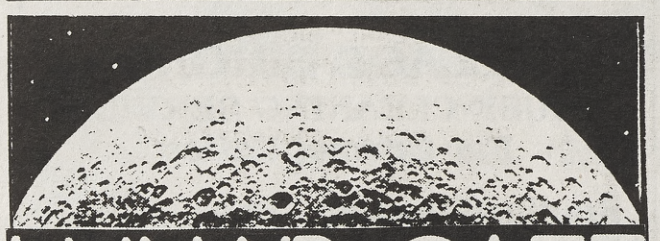

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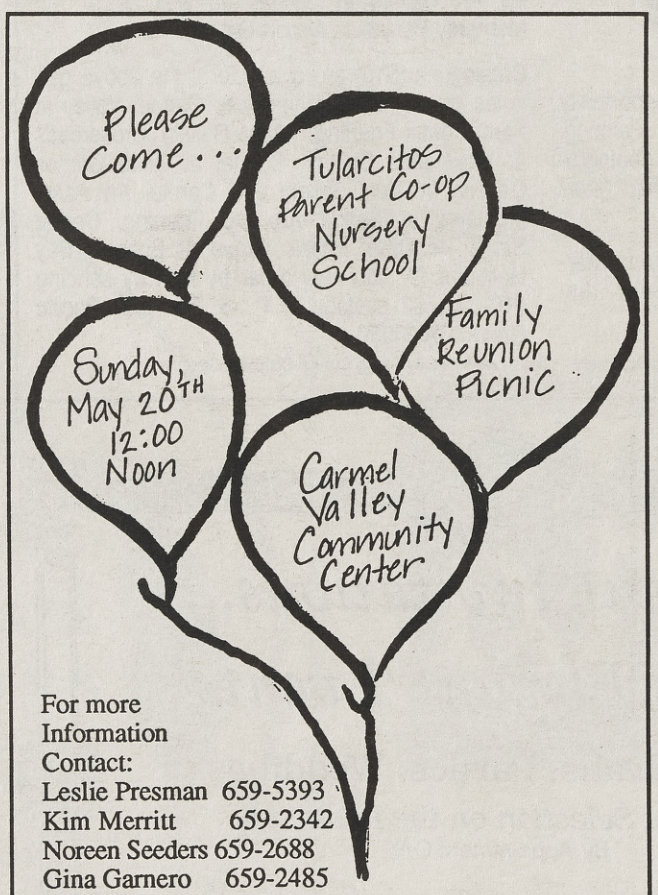

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U. S. Fish and Wildlife Restates Its Opposition to Hatton Freeway Route

By Dick Heuer

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service has reiterated its longstanding opposition to Caltrans' plan for the Hatton Canyon Freeway. In a March 26 letter to the Federal Highway Administration (FHA), the service wrote that "we strongly encourage Caltrans and the Federal Highway Administration to adopt an alternative to improve Highway 1 along its existing alignment."

The letter was prompted by a February meeting at which FHA asked the Fish and Wildlife Service, Environmental Protection Agency and Corps of Engineers to review the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) on the freeway project beforeits final approval.

Fish and Wildlife Service advised the highway administration that "after review of the document, we cannot concur that there are no practicable alternatives to Alternative 1C modified [the Caltrans freeway plan]. Alternatives 4, 4 modified, and 6 [all involving widening the existing Highway 1] were not considered practicable in the document and wetlands finding because they did not meet the identified transportation needs.... However, we note that the purpose of the project is to 'improve the capacity of Highway 1 and reduce crossing and turning conflicts associated with several local streets and private driveways.' It is our position that these three alternatives do, in fact, meet the stated purpose of the project, because they do increase capacity, and do reduce turning conflicts."

A formal "finding" that there is "no practicable alternative," and documentation of this finding in the legal record, is a prerequisite for approval of the Caltrans freeway plan. Caltrans has stated that its plan is the most environmentally damaging alternative but justifies selection of the Hatton Canyon freeway alternative on grounds that it is the only practicable alternative. Federal law requires adoption of the least environmentally damaging practicable alternative.

The letter concludes: "...We want to stress that even if the Service eventually agrees that Alternative 1C modified is the only practicable alternative, it is likely that we would continue to recommend against its implementation. We would maintain this position because of the severe impacts to wildlife which would occur with construction of an alignment through Hatton Canyon. Thus, we strongly encourage Caltrans and the Federal Highway Administration to adopt an alternative to improve Highway 1 along its existing alignment."

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service has opposed the Hatton Canyon Freeway since first taking a position in 1986.

The Fish and Wildlife Service letter became public when the service sent a copy to Carmel resident Noel Mapstead. The latest EPA and Corps of Engineers positions on the EIS have not yet become public.

Mapstead, who has been dubbed the "Canyon Crusader," recently returned from an April 5 meeting in Washington with representatives of the FHA, Fish and Wildlife, Corps of Engineers, EPA, Council on Environmental Quality, Office of the Secretary of Transportation, and the Department of Interior's Office of Environmental Assessment. The meeting was arranged by Rep. Leon Panetta, D-Carmel Valley, and Mapstead was accompanied by attorney David Larkin.

Mapstead represented the Sierra Club at this meeting and carried letters of support from the League of Women Voters, California Native Plant Society, and Audubon Society. He cited 24 examples of significant new information or new circumstances since the Draft EIS was circulated for public comment in November 1986, and which, he said, should require Caltrans to prepare a Supplemental Draft EIS.

A decision to prepare a Supplemental Draft EIS would be a recognition that the present Draft EIS is inadequate. It would reopen the environmental review process to public comment and be a significant setback to Caltrans.

Mapstead and Larkin came away from their meeting with the impression that if Caltrans persists with the freeway plan, federal environmental agencies will elevate the issue to the president's Council on Environmental Quality where it must be decided.

CV Ranch Sale to Bay Area Firm Still On Despite Wider Landmark Resort Agreement

The sale of Carmel Valley Ranch under an agreement calling for the current management to continue to operate it likely will not be affected by Landmark Land. Co.'s plan to sell most of its resort development properties to a Southern California developer.

Carmel-based Landmark announced it had entered into a two-phase agreement to sell a substantial share of its golf, tennis and development property to Barry G. Hon for some $967 million.

Carmel Valley Ranch Resort is included among the properties Hon agreed to buy, but Landmark officials said the Mid Valley resort still is set to be sold to American International Golf Resorts under a previous agreement.

That agreement with the Bay Area company called for present Carmel Valley Ranch managers to stay on and operate the resort after its sale. Brian Smith, financial officer at Carmel Valley Ranch, said negotiations toward such an agreement were proceeding smoothly.

Landmark announced the conditional sale of Carmel Valley Ranch Resort in March for some $60 million, saying at that price Landmark would realize a profit of about $28 million.

Landmark has been forced to sell its extensive resort developments because of new government rules growing out of the failure of so many savings and loan companies around the country. Landmark owns an S&L, Oak Tree Savings Bank, in Louisiana and has used deposits in it to finance many of its developments. But under new rules, Oak Tree had to reduce its investments in real estate because federal regulators thought they were too risky.

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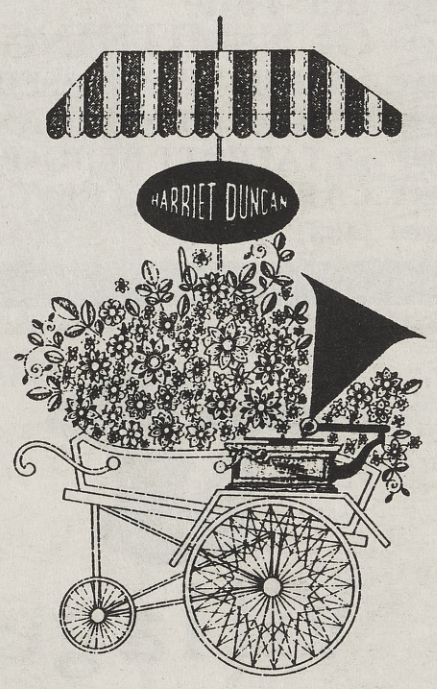

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Out and About

By Isabelle Hall

Waterfalls have always had a strong attraction for me. I have lived most of my life in the lush greenery of southern Canada and the northeastern U.S. Maybe I'm drawn to waterfalls because when I lived in Toronto, we were close enough to Niagara Falls to take frequent day trips to visit it. As much as I like living in California, the rush of fresh water is still like a magnet to me.

One Sunday recently, my husband and I set out to find Pfeiffer Falls at the end of one of the trails at Pfeiffer State Park in Big Sur. I had visions of fresh, icy cold water tumbling down the mountainside in a torrent, rushing to the sea. I could hardly wait to see it.

The sun was high overhead when we started up the hill, stopping to photograph a wild iris just opening in the sun. Barely a quarter mile east of Highway 1 you are suddenly in a forest of towering redwood trees. There is one which fire has scarred to a height of 30 feet or more, yet the tree stands tall, apparently unaffected.

A WILD PURPLE iris just opening at Pfeiffer State Park. *Sun photo by Stan Hall.*

The bark of redwoods is so thick and flame-resistant that fire seems to do little more than scar their trunks. They continue to live and grow. These *Sequoia sempervirens* or Coastal Redwoods are among the tallest trees in the world.They thrive in canyons along our coast in part because of their ability to extract the moisture they need from our frequent fogs.

They have a curious habit of regenerating five, six or seven new trees from one that has died, thereby forming in circular groves around the spot where once the original tree stood, creating natural cathedrals occasionally lit by rays of sun from high above their tops. Fallen trees will continue to grow. Young growth will spurt from dead trunks. Life is strong in these majestic trees.

Walking along the paths, heavily padded with centuries of redwood needles tramped by now into rich loam, we found many varieties of ferns—even the lacy maidenhair which grew so prolifically in the woods in Virginia where we lived once. As we followed a bare trickle of a stream, I wondered how there could be a major waterfall nearby. In the silence of the forest, we began to hear the musical bubbling of water but it was just the stream playing its little symphony as it gurgled over the rocks.

The path wound higher, and we stopped to rest in the midst of a former grove, now reduced to huge, uprooted tree trunks. It was so quiet; I sat and watched a tiny spider spinning a web up and down the tender leaves of a baby redwood, barely a foot in height. A big, fat mealy bug—as large as I have ever seen—was ponderously working its way over the earth-encrusted roots of a fallen redwood. I felt like Alice in Wonderland, fallen down the rabbithole and giantsize from drinking that treacherous bottle labeled "Drink Me," compared to the little forest creatures beside me.

It reminded me of the adventures we had in Virginia. On many a Sunday afternoon, my husband, our German Shepherd, Lobo, and I would set out to gather ferns in the woods behind our house. We lived in McLean, not far from the Potomac River on the edge of a 100-acre virgin forest. There were lots of tulip trees—also known as whitewood—which grow to 190 feet in the wild and are among the tallest deciduous trees in the Eastern United States.

Invariably our sorties would take place in the rain. Somehow on our day off from the rigors of

THE TRUNK OF A REDWOOD tree shows the scars of a forest fire. *Sun photo by Stan Hall.*

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the newsbeat in Washington, D.C., we were drawn outdoors, no matter the weather.

Slogging through the woods where oak, maple and tulip leaves lay in soggy layers, we would come upon hundreds of wonderful ferns which we coveted for our garden, really just a minor extension of the forest which we had pushed back barely 30 feet from the house. Our eyes were always bigger than our ability to transport these ferns.

One rainy November afternoon, we had found so many treasures we had to go back for the pickup. My husband, who likes nothing better than a challenge, drove down a narrow, old logging road that seemed not have been traversed in many years, across the slopes and down a steep hill to a stream, beyond which were the ferns. As we bumped along towards the stream, I urged him to stop but he said it was no problem— we would just "jump" the stream, and jump we did. I had about decided he could do almost anything if he put his mind to it, and now I knew it.

We gathered the ferns and headed back as the rain grew heavier. But there was little space to get a running start at the stream from this direction and his brilliant "jump" the first time turned into a big splat on the return trip, right into the middle of the stream.

"Now what will we do," I moaned. "That truck is stuck for good."

"Nonsense," he said. "I'll get it out."

About 15 minutes later, still stuck, he suggested I help him carry rocks and pile them in front of the wheels. This was not a lot of fun. The dog was getting bored and so was I. Right about then the thought of being home in front of the fireplace reading the Sunday papers while dinner cooked was very appealing.

I went and sat down on a rock on the bank with Lobo beside me, then thought better of it. That part of Virginia is full of enormous black snakes and I was sure there were plenty lurking around, watching us. My husband had lectured me repeatedly that black snakes were "good snakes." He had even trained the dog not to bother them so I had no sympathy there.

I went back to toting rocks. My husband really does embody the "where there's a will there's a way" syndrome if he puts his mind to it. By now he was mad as hell and growing as impatient as the dog and me.

"Let's try it again," he said. And, this time, that obstinate Ford got a foothold on the rocks and climbed over the bank. We loaded up the ferns and headed back as the twilight grew dimmer.

The day-long rain had done its job on the old road. We slithered and slipped along it until we spotted the little pond by our house at the end of the road, waiting for us. Sliding down the hill, our pickup rolled right into the murky waters.

"Go and get your Chevy" yelled my buddy. "And bring the chain."

We hadn't been married a year at that point but by now I knew a great deal more than I had about cars and tow chains and determination, like it or not. Stan hooked on to the pickup and got in the Chevy to pull it out. Instead, right in front of my eyes, "my car" slipped sideways like a little pat of butter right into the pond beside the Ford.

I was either going to laugh or cry so I laughed. I think it was probably the wrong thing to do at that point. I also demanded to know, "What are you going to do now?"

He had to finally admit defeat and called the gas station to bring a tow truck. By now it was dark and getting cold and raining hard. The tow truck they sent out just couldn't handle it. Pretty soon there were three vehicles in the little pond.

Finally, long after dark and with everyone soaking wet, a larger tow truck managed to extricate all three vehicles. As we carried the ferns into the garden, I estimated they had cost us $132.75. Of course, my stubborn husband planted them that night.

SPRINGTIME FERNS are carpeting the woods at Pfeiffer State Park.
Sun photo by Isabelle Hall.

Pfeiffer Falls is a long way from the Washington suburbs and our days of digging up ferns long past. Instead, we took photographs and followed the little stream halfway up the mountain to finally find the waterfall. Barely a foot wide in mid-March after another winter of patchy rainfall, it was still a cheerful sight. Cascading down the rock face, the water showered tiny ferns and greenery struggling for a foothold on the sheer face of the stone.

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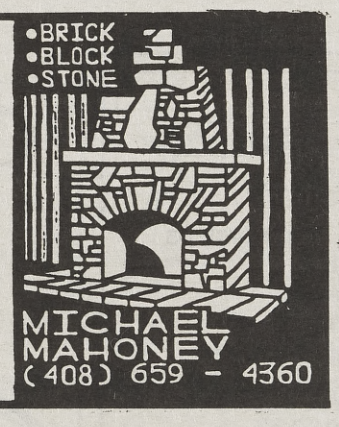

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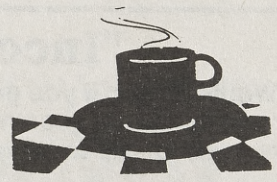

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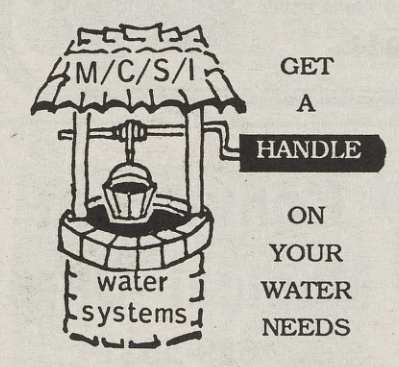

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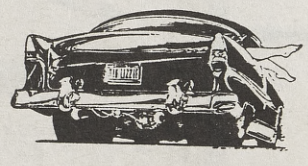

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Those Natty Little Birds

Their scientific name, barely pronounceable, is *lophortyx californicus.* They're California Quail, those plump, exquisitely colored birds that inhabit so happily our brushy hillsides and valleys.

Those of us who live "out," as we put it, have the calling of quail, that three-part, "cu-ca-cow" in our ears most of the day. And, if we regularly scatter chicken feed, or wild bird seed in an appropriate place (an open space surrounded by low-growing brush) we find we have our own private covey of quail co-habiting with us. And when something startles them, and they rise, all at once, almost as if by magic, the whirr of their wings is amazingly loud.

The California Quail is a relative of the European partridge, and is found from the lower tip of Baja California to the Oregon border. He eats many kinds of wild seeds, (making him a boon to the farmer), green wild plants, and some insects. Margaret Stanger, in her charming book, "That Quail, Robert," tells of watching a mother quail, tapping on the ground, to call her tiny babies when she finds an insect. When Mrs. Stanger would find an insect, such as a spider, or a small beetle in the house, if she tapped on the floor Robert would come running to gobble it up.

Judging from Mrs. Stanger's experience with her "Robert," quail are very intelligent. Robert developed all sorts of sophisticated behavior patterns. He insisted on talking to whoever was on the other end of the telephone, he let the family know when he was ready to go to bed, which was always the same time unless there happened to be company which he *didn't want to miss, a whistling tea kettle* brought him on the run to the kitchen, making his unmistakable sounds of command, "to turn it off."

If sociability is a sign of intelligence, the quail has it. A covey of quail, feeding contentedly on the ground, sounds like nothing so much as a roomful of ladies over the bridge tables. Quail talk to each other constantly. They have at least ten distinct calls, for specific purposes: for assembling the covey, for quiet conversation, for calling babies to food, for warning of little dangers, and big dangers, for sexual matters, for parenting.

CALIFORNIA QUAIL
Courtesy C. W. Schwarz

The male quail is an exemplary father and husband. He does sentry duty while his mate is on the nest, and when the babies are tiny, he spends most of his time standing, alert for danger. He gets to eat so seldom that he loses considerable weight.

Once present, as reported by an early California settler, "by the thousands in *every canyon, gulch, and ravine," quail* numbers have decreased enormously. We now have laws prohibiting commercial slaughter, with daily bag limits, and set hunting seasons.

It is not difficult, if you would enjoy having a covey of these charming little birds sharing your living space, to arrange for cover, food, and water. A. Starker Leopold, in his authoritative work, "The California Quail," provides detailed instructions.

As he says, "In my judgment, the creation of living space for a covey of California quail would represent the gold standard of successful backyard management. What more pleasant sound could there be to awaken a jaded suburbanite than the morning call of the quail: "cu-ca-cow."

Dangerous Fire Season Feared

By Carolyn Rice

After four years of drought, firefighters are expecting the worst as the wildland fire season approaches on the Central Coast, and they're trying to be as prepared for it as they can.

"Any wildland fire could be overwhelming this coming fire season," declared Capt. Sidney Reade, fire marshall at the Mid-Carmel Valley Fire Department. "And we need homeowners' help in advance to counter the fire hazard potential."

Ms. Reade and a group of fire prevention officers representing the 35 other Monterey county fire departments have developed a home owners' training program aimed at reducing fire potential.

Jeff Frye at the Carmel Valley Village Fire department said he would be available to present the program to organizations and homeowners associations. Other department spokesmen at Carmel by the Sea, Rio Road, Cachagua and Carmel Highlands said they have staff members who could give fire prevention programs or make residential calls if requested.

Many suggested that homeowners start now to remove dead brush on their lots, clear flammable vegetation for a 30-foot area around their homes and remove pine needles from their roofs.

"We have lists of things homeowners can do," Ms. Reade said. "The year after the Pebble Beach fire we had a lot of interest in prevention. The fire hazard is even greater now, but Pebble Beach happened several years ago and interest has dropped."

She added that projections of the severity of the fire season are based on the moisture content of the fuel and how much fuel exists. "After several drought years there is not much moisture." She also noted that the drought years have caused a lot of buildup in the dead underbrush on the hills.

The training program developed by the county group includes videos, information on fire resistant plantings and handouts on steps homeowners can take.

In a situation where many homes might be threatened by fire, Ms. Reade said what a homeowner has done to protect his property can make a big difference. "If home is surrounded by brush and doesn't have a chance, we'll leave it and protect the home which has a better chance."

Mid-Valley Fire Department has scheduled fire prevention information sessions for Saturday, April 28 at 2 p. m. and Thursday, May 3 at 7:30.

Ms. Reade asked that residents guard against accidentally starting a wildlands fire. The most typical ways that fires start are by improper disposal of fireplace ashes or barbeque coals, a spark from gas or electric garden tools, or the catalytic convertor on a car when someone pulls to the side of the road and parks in weeds or high grass. "Monterey County also has problems with arsonists," Ms. Reade said. She asked residents to watch for anyone who throws something from a car window or who seems to be in areas they don't belong. "Call 911 to report any such incident," she urged, "and get a car license plate number if you can."

Capt. Robin Hamelin at the Rio Road California Forestry Department station said firefighters would start residential inspections early this year due to the high hazard. The Forestry Department inspects about 2,500 Peninsula homes each year and is eager to work with individuals who have fire prevention questions," Hamelin said.

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Fire District Seeks Expansion

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But he said the cost of maintaining them is among the highest in the county.

He explained that the CDF in Sacramento spent $90,000 a year for administration of the two districts, and a consultant's report estimated that the County Public Works Department in Salinas paid $60,000 a year administering the same districts.

The consultant's report, released in March, recommended consolidation of seven individual departments or districts in the Greater Carmel Valley region. It was prepared by Hughes, Heiss & Associates of San Mateo and forecast savings of up to $400,000 if the seven departments were combined into one.

Included in the region are Mid Valley, Carmel Valley, Carmel Highlands, Cachagua, Pebble Beach and the two county service areas. The CDF also provides fire protection to Pebble Beach, and Mid Valley's application said it would be willing to consider providing service to Pebble Beach if asked.

In a letter to LAFCO, Anne D. McGowan, president of the Mid Valley district, wrote: "While our application only includes the Mid Carmel Valley Fire Protection District and County Service Areas #43 and #39, if during this process the Carmel Highlands Fire Protection District desires, or submits a like application, we would consider incorporating their proposal to our application for reorganization...Likewise, if the Carmel Valley Fire Protection District, Cachagua or Pebble Beach, in their choosing, indicates interest in joining in our application, we are open to incorporating their desires..."

Three Mid Valley volunteers, Brian Smith, Jan Cihak and Ron Lemos, told the *Sun* they were convinced that strong volunteer operations could be nurtured if the two CSA districts were annexed. "Otherwise we wouldn't be supporting it (the proposed consolidation)," Smith said.

With the greater use of volunteers, Lemos added, "the bottom line winner is the public—they get better service for the buck."

Ms. Cihak said the key to a successful volunteer force is to make it feel needed, appreciated and on a par with the paid personnel. "The pride is just oozing out of the (largely volunteer) departments in this area," she said.

Mid Valley decided to seek consolidation with the two service areas after the Carmel Valley District sounded out Mid Valley on a possible merger.

Mid Valley, in turn, reassured Carmel Valley that it was not interested in forcing a consolidation between the two districts.

Larry Busick, president of the Carmel Valley directors, told the *Sun* that the Valley made the overture not because it really wanted to consolidate, but "to find out what Mid Valley's intentions were."

"There were lots of rumors," Busick said. "We didn't want to be gobbled up in a larger consolidation.

"We like to have local control," Busick added. "We want to keep it. We feel we're well managed and we're in a comfortable financial state. We wouldn't want to be thrown into a large conglomerate. If we were, we felt more of the taxes collected from people in our district would be spent at the mouth of the Valley. We couldn't find one thing to gain from being a part of a consolidation. Some things we might lose, but we saw no advantages."

Carmichael agreed with Busick's assessment. "Consolidation only makes sense when you get a better product. Consolidation with Carmel Valley would provide no economic advantage and no increase in service," Carmichael said.

Chief Lanny White of Carmel Highlands said his board also decided against consolidation at this time. "Local control is the real issue for us," White told the *Sun*. "We're not sure we see any real benefit in our consolidating right now."

Jaime del Valle, a captain in the all volunteer Cachagua Fire Company, asked about the consolidation move, said: "I don't think anybody would want us."

He went on to say that he felt the release of the consultant's report and the uncertainty created by possible consolidations had gotten in the way of Cachagua's top priority—which is to create a fire district to fund service to the area.

In proposing its consolidation, Mid Valley said it would be willing to hire any of the CDF firefighters now assigned to CSA 43 or 39 who can pass its physical requirements and would maintain their CDF pay.

Capt. Ted Bishop of the Rio Road station told the *Sun* that he personally doubted whether many CDF personnel would want to accept the offer.

"In a larger organization like CDF, there's more opportunity for advancement, more diverse experience available, and a variety of geographical assignments you can take," he explained.

Mid Valley said its present administrative staff could run the new district with the addition of a fire prevention inspector and a secretary.

The administrative staff for the proposed new district would then total seven—a chief, fire marshal, operations/training officer, administrative/financial officer, maintenance/supply officer, a fire inspector and a secretary.

In total the new district would be staffed with 28 full-time positions and 55 volunteers organized into three units. One, made up of 25 volunteers and a full-time position (it takes three people to fill a full-time slot because it covers 24 hours) would be assigned to Mid Valley station as a rural battalion. An urban battalion would be stationed at Rio Road, made up of 15 volunteers and 3 full-time slots, representing an increase of 6 volunteers. A third unit would serve the northern part of the proposed new district and be comprised of a new, 15-member volunteer unit and 3 full-time positions.

Equipment for the new district would be six structure engines, one wildland engine, one water tender, an ambulance, one rescue unit and four utility units. A new structure engine would have to be purchased to help protect the northern part of the district, under the plan.

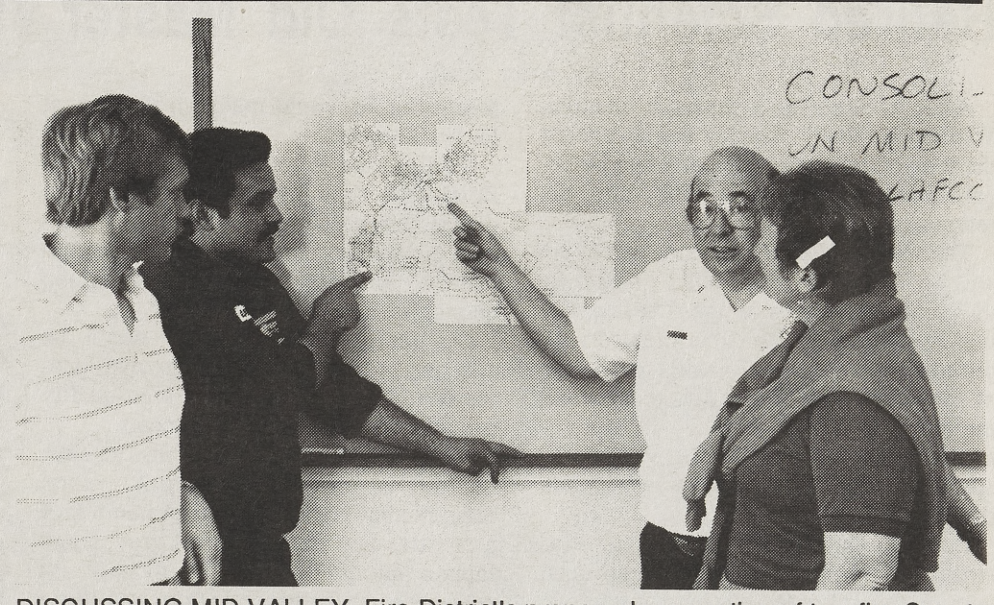
"The capital expenditures include one-time costs to include a new fire truck, utility vehicle, breathing apparatus and pagers for increased volunteer force, two Jaws of Life extractors, four semi-automatic defibrillators and an apparatus reserve," Mid Valley's application said.

In its application, Mid Valley said it would like the consolidation to take place Jan. 1, 1991 or as soon as possible after that. If approved, all assets, taxes, other revenues and liabilities of the two CSAs would accrue to Mid Valley, and Mid Valley would expect the new district begin functioning at the start of the new fiscal year, July 1, 1991.

If the county supervisors approve a resolution similar to the one passed by Mid Valley's directors and no substantial protests are filed, the new district would be created without a vote of residents in the three districts.

If there are substantial protests or the supervisors do not approve the consolidation, it would take a vote of the residents to create the expanded new district.

Mid Valley directors voted unanimously to seek the consolidation. In addition to Ms. McGowan, they were Joan M. Rossi, E. J. Erner and Gerald W. Harner. Director T. G. Heaston was absent.



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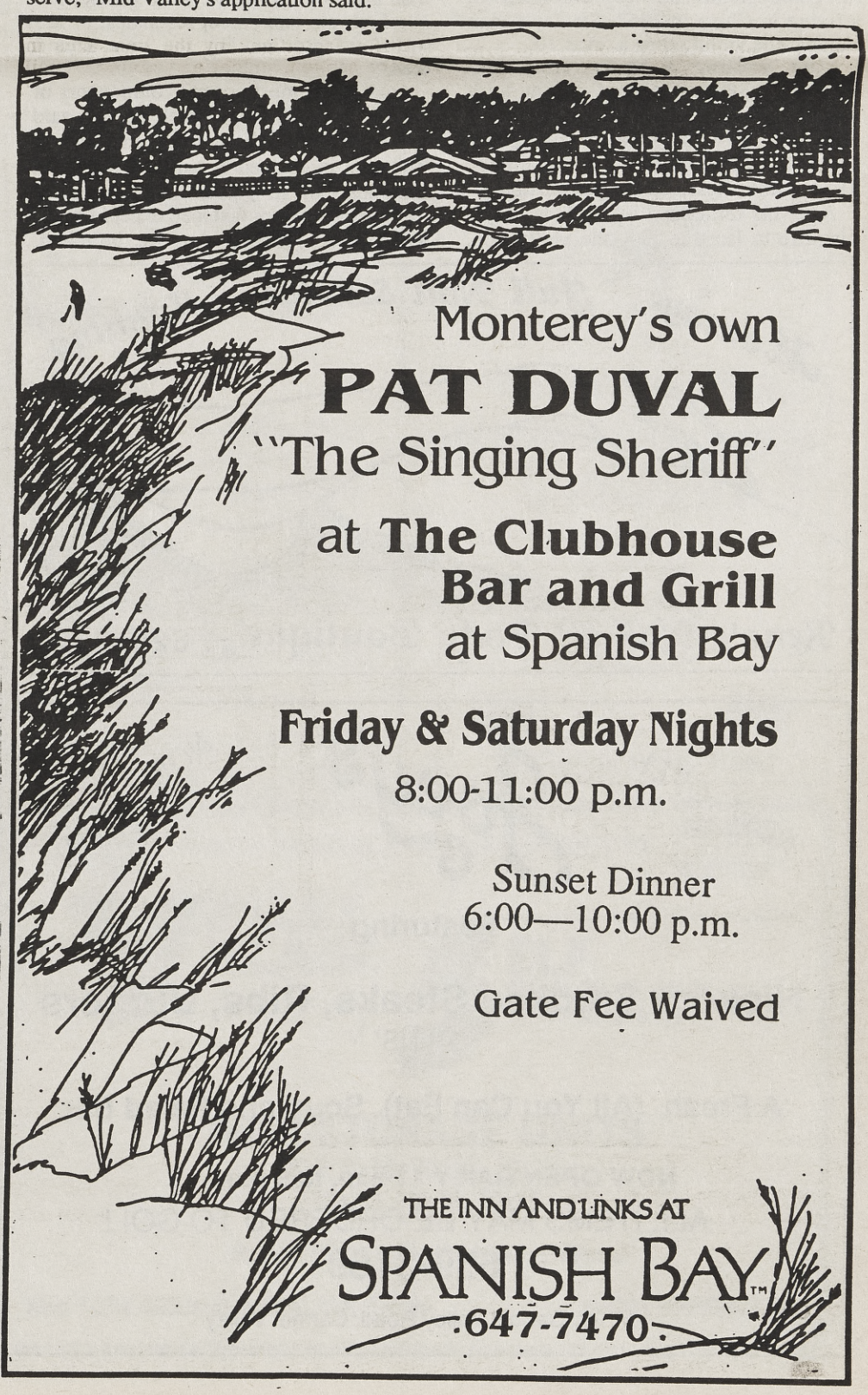

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Retired Scientist Tests Old Master Violin Makers; Finds They Were Right

By Stan Hall

After a career as a research chemist, William L. "Bill" Stanley couldn't resist the temptation to experiment when he began to make violins as a hobby after his retirement.

The Carmel Valley Manor resident who will be 74 in May tried out a number of different innovations on the first few violins he produced. He experimented with different laminations of woods for the top of the instruments for a different sound, the use of non-traditional woods and unusual shapes for the F-hole, the double aperture on top of the violin "which lets the sound out."

But now having built 31 stringed instruments—violins, violas and a stringed bass— he has decided it is hard to improve upon the designs left by the masters, such as Antonio Stradiveri.

"The old boys knew what they were doing," said Stanley, with a twinkle in his eye.

Wearing a pastel blue shop apron with his name embroidered on it, Bill Stanley explained that he produced two or three finished instruments a year, using power equipment when possible, but depending heavily on hand craftsmanship for the final detailing.

He is modest about the quality of his instruments, but he said there's probably not much difference between a Stradiverius and a $4,000 contemporary commercial violin—except age and use.

"A new violin sounds raw," he said. He explained that long-time use of a violin somehow "trains" or conditions the wood to respond the way the artist wants it to.

"I don't know why they improve with age," he said. "I think these modern ones are very close to the 300-year-old ones, and they do get better with age and use."

Both Stanley and his wife, Marie, were born in China of missionary parents. Even his grandparents had been missionaries, arriving in China in 1863. Stanley began playing the violin when he was 10.

After earning a Ph.D. from UC Berkeley, Stanley played violin with orchestra and chamber music groups in the Bay Area during the time he worked as a research chemist for the U. S. Agriculture Department's Research Service in Albany.

After his retirement in 1976, he urged his wife to learn to play the violin, too, promising he would make an instrument for her if she did.

Stanley said it took him two years to finish that first instrument, adding that demand has been great for handcrafted violins. He has sold most of the ones he has made to members of the orchestras and quartets he has played with.

He declines to say how much he charges, but said it is less than what people would have to pay for a high-quality commercially produced instruments.

As for the shortage of older instruments, he said it goes back about 20 years, brought about by the increased number of orchestras and other musical groups and Japan's purchase of large numbers of old instruments both by collectors and those wishing to use them as patterns for new violins.

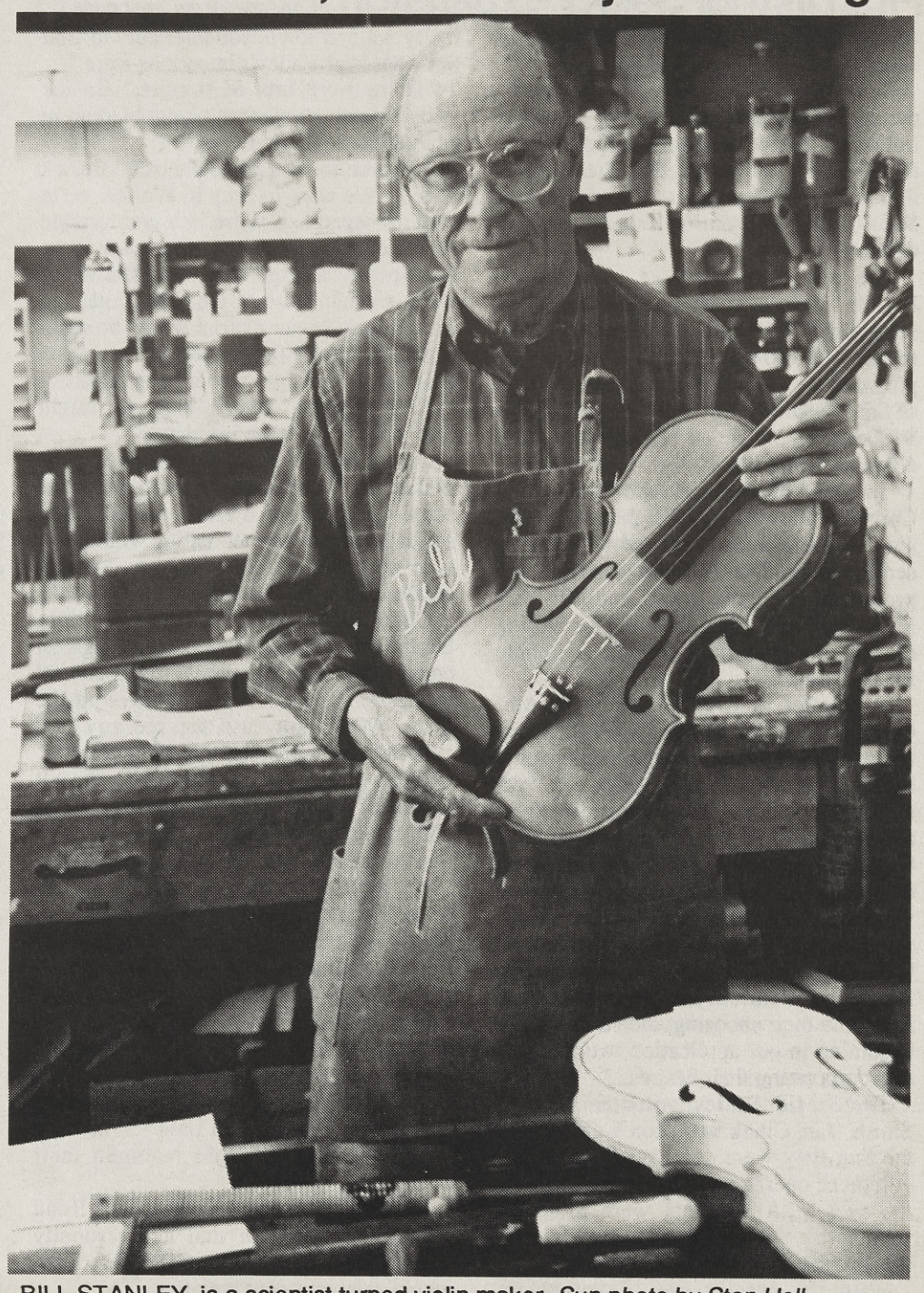
The quality of a new violin depends on the arching, thickness and quality of the woods that go into the back and top, Stanley said. He usually uses curly maple for the back, sides and neck of the instrument and prefers either pine or spruce for the "tone wood" making up the top. All the woods are air dried rather than dried in a kiln.

"What you want to achieve is a clear, light tone that will project well," Stanley said. "You want it to be rich as well, but if you get it too rich, you lose projection."

Stanley arches, or contours the top and back using chisels, small thumb planes and finally steel scrapers to create and then smooth the shape. The top varies in thickness from about 2 to 4 millimeters, and with the entire instrument, he strives for accuracy within thousandths of an inch.

"The range of a violin is three octaves," he said. "You want an instrument that will not amplify some notes more than others. You also want to avoid 'wolf' tones, ones in which the instrument resonates, or absorbs energy, making the note sound dead."

One of the most critical components of the violin is the post, which Stanley said the French call "the heart of the violin." The post is wedged between the top and the back, and its placement is critical to the sound. It is not fastened except for the wedging so that it can be adjusted.



BILL STANLEY is a scientist turned violin maker. *Sun photo by Stan Hall*

"Sometimes it takes me an hour to get it in the right spot," Stanley said.

Stanley has to fit time for his violin making in with his other activities. He is an accomplished watercolor painter, does bass relief wood carvings, hikes once a week and usually plays golf regularly. When Stanley talked with the *Sun*, he had just undergone a hernia operation, so he was foregoing golf for the day.

The Stanleys also have a second home on Lake Almanor in Lassen County where he likes to go fishing and painting and spend time there especially in summer.

Stanley once wanted to make a career out of his painting. He had begun to draw as a child because he had palsy in his hands, and doctors thought that would help him overcome it. But he studied chemistry after his brother pointed out that many accomplished artists had to perform such jobs as drawing pictures of nuts and bolts for mail order catalogues just to make a living.

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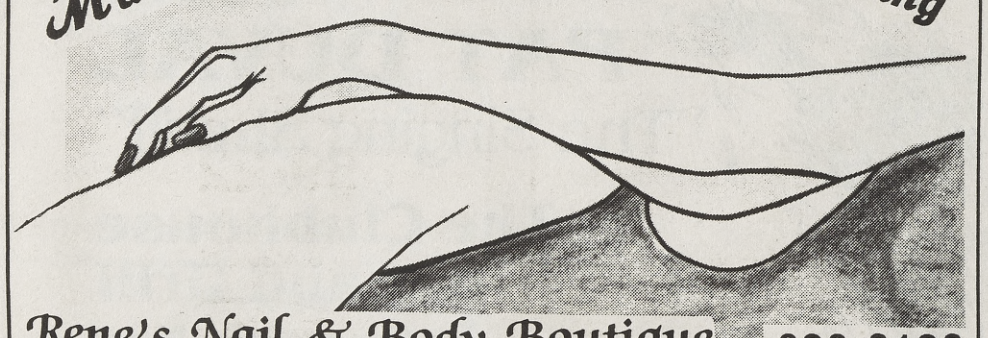

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Business Briefs

Pat Duval, popular "Singing Sheriff" of Carmel Valley who entertains at **Spanish Bay's Clubhouse Bar and Grill**, has a new movie role. Pat, whom you may recall was a tough (of course) law officer in the last Dirty Harry flick, is going to have a couple of bit parts in **Clint Eastwood's** upcoming film, "The Rookie." This one is not another in the Dirty Harry series Eastwood created but is still about cops. Pat says he will have "a couple of speaking parts as Los Angeles policemen." Filming is already in progress in L.A. As for his weekend performances at Spanish Bay, Pat says he has repeat customers for his easy listening songs from as faraway as England where they call him, "The Singing Bobby."

Popular **Los Laureles Lodge** on Carmel Valley Road—closed off and on most of the winter for extensive repairs to the aging structure—reopened in time for Easter. Dining room patrons will be pleased to know their favorites are still available. The pool has been scrubbed and ready for summer and the gardens are being filled with colorful flowers although work continues on the lodging area.

Vessey's Drugs, new on the scene at Carmel Rancho, has its big "Grand Opening" signs up this week.

Jeff and Nancy Watts, proprietors of **Watts' Valley Glass** on Carmel Valley Road, are also having a Grand Opening Celebration 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., April 21. The Watts will be serving "food and drink" for their many friends and customers and say, "Please join us!"

The Bank of America at Highway 1 and Rio Road will host the **Carmel Valley Chamber of Commerce** mixer from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m., April 26. Prizes will be raffled. Call 659-4000 for reservations.

A recent **Red Cross** Benefit Dinner hosted by **Sardine Factory** owners **Ted Balestreri and Bert Cutino** resulted in a check for $4,230 going to help the organization's community disaster fund.

Rick Lawrance, executive vice president of the **Monterey Peninsula Chamber of Commerce and Visitors & Convention Bureau,** has been named treasurer of the California Travel Industry Association.

The 20-year-old **Alliance on Aging, Inc.** has moved into 3,800 square feet of new quarters at The Park Lane, donated by **A Classic Residence by Hyatt,** on Glenwood Circle in Monterey. The agency provides 21 different services to local senior citizens.

Philippe Tardivet of the Village's **Tin Lizzie** is steaming. He said the water management district erroneously reported that he used more water than allowed under rationing and had been fined $500 for it. Despite a story in a local daily paper, he said he used only a bit more water than last year and hadn't even been contacted by the district.

Credit local merchants for the showy display of spring flowers in the divider at Carmel Valley Road. **Mike Kucher** of **Kasey's** said his store, **Oleander Gardens, Tom Ewen, Star Refinishing, the Fishmonger, Peninsula Septic Tank Service** and **Carmel Valley Florists** all pitched in to buy the bulbs and pay for the maintenance.

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Harsh Measures Ahead?

When I ran for the water board in the November election, I promised to outlaw water rationing if I was elected. and I warned the voters that our water board would institute harsh measures to force the community to conserve water so that they could continue to build hotels and construction that puts additional demands on the water supply.

Their contradictions are obvious and this summer the water rationing will be worse and a strain on everyone on the Monterey Peninsula. And, if we conserve enough water to create a surplus according to their statistics, they'll reward us by raising the water rates and by permitting more big hotels and more buildings in our state parks like at Asilomar.

New water connections have already been installed for future development in the coastal sand dunes at Asilomar and near Del Monte Beach. It should be against the law to allow these connections because we are not building any new dams for a long time.

Michael (Misha) Bogatirev.
Pacific Grove

ROBERT AND SALLY Vessey are pleased with their new drugstore at Carmel Rancho. They also operate a drugstore in Aptos. *Sun photo by John Anderson*

Chapel Recital Sunday

Pianist Stephen Tosh will perform at a recital April 22 at the Carmel Valley Community Chapel with clarinettist Barbara Tosh and flautist Lynn Jones. The trio will play, "Symphony of Life," "Three American Portraits," and "Tosh-Ma-Hal."

Violin Maker

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At the USDA, Stanley said he conducted basic research into "the chemistry of flavor"—what caused fruits to taste the way they did. Before joining USDA, he worked for both Union Oil and Union Carbide.

A research scientist to the end, Stanley said that when he first began building violins, he thought the varnish used on them might somehow contribute to the sound. "But I've decided now that it really doesn't have much to do with it.," he said. He admitted, though, that he really doesn't like to finish the beautiful instruments that he builds.

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Yesteryears

By Elizabeth Barratt

History Society Looks Ahead

The pace is quickening to establish a home base of operation for the Carmel Valley History Society. At their April 2 meeting, the directors of the regional park district gave the society the go-ahead to use the main room in the Cooper Ranch house for museum display purposes.

This is a four-year commitment, with the period serving as time to raise funds for construction of a permanent museum and archival vault at another nearby spot on the property.

Since its inception five years ago, the Carmel Valley History Society has been storing its collection of Carmel Valley memorabilia, artifacts and other donations at its headquarters at Rosie's Cracker Barrel. The society has outgrown its space, and the entire collection is now in storage, awaiting its new home.

The Cooper Ranch main room will be a perfect display area: there is plenty of natural light pouring in from the windows on all sides, the room is large and can accommodate many display shelves and storage cupboards, there's even an enormous, welcoming stone fireplace to enjoy on cool days.

Due to access over a narrow bridge and current limited parking space at the old ranch house, regular meetings of the society will continue as they have, on Tuesday evenings at 7:30 at Rosie's in the back room, where regulars gather round Rosie's old beer bar to quaff Sandy Clough's famous lemonade and discuss Carmel Valley history, past and present.

At a special potluck meeting at Marion Weyger's home on Sunday, April 8, Stew Clough, history society president, expressed his gratitude over the Cooper Ranch house space. "There are lots of history societies still looking for a permanent home which have been looking for a long time, so we consider ourselves very, very lucky to have been made this offer." he said. Stew expressed his thanks to the park district directors on behalf of the entire history society.

Marion, widow of artist and sculptor Alexander Weygers, led the group on a tour of the home she and her husband shared for 46 years. Alex died in July, 1989. The property, currently listed for sale, contains two rustic, hand-built cottages and the famous sculptor's studio, plus forge and work areas. "Before power came to this part of the Valley, I cooked on kerosene and had kerosene lamps. I did that for 17 years," Marion noted. "Our home was a place for artists to gather, people who loved the rustic and were used to living by their own means. Our home, like many belonging to artists in Big Sur, was put together piece by piece."

At present, Marion's taking time to decide what to do with Alex's many sculptures, his press, the anvils and many other nostalgic and valuable items. She's going to be staying on for a year or so while she completes her plans.

On April 14, members of the Carmel Valley History Society caravaned to historic Mission San Antonio, located 23 miles west of King City near the diminutive town of Jolon. This was an investigative trip. Several society members had previously attended a March 17 public meeting held by the Army at Fort Hunter-Liggett, where the old mission's located, to hear the Army present plans to construct 180 Army family housing units.

Of the three possible sites which have been proposed, the site most favored by the Army is situated just over a small hill to the north-west of the mission. Besides traffic, people and noise pollution, plus environmental impact to wildlife and flora, there may be disruption of archaeological sites, including part of the old mission aqueduct system, built by Indians in the mission's early days. Further concern has been expressed by many groups over the 24 already built, two-story housing units within sight of the approach to the mission.

Main public concern centers around the fact that, outside of the Mission La Purissima Concepcion in Lompoc, San Antonio is the only other mission in the system which remains in its natural, unaltered state as it looked in the Spanish and Mexican eras. Encroachment by housing and other public facilities would permanently alter the old mission's historic ambience.

Mark your calendars for April 21-22. As a kickoff to start the funds for a museum and vault, there's to be a garage sale at Rosie's Cracker Barrel, starting at 8:00 a.m. both days.

Editor's Note: "Yesteryears," a column about local history, is written under the auspices of the Carmel Valley History Society. The group meets Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m. at Rosie's Cracker Barrel on Esquiline Road. The public is welcome.

Marine Art Contest Open to all Students

Monterey County students from kindergarten to 12th grade are eligible to test their imaginations and "Design a Fish" for the sixth annual Young People's Marine Arts Festival. Sponsored by the Monterey Bay Aquarium, Monterey County office of Education and the Monterey Peninsula Airport District, the competition is open to virtually any form of artwork except photography.

Entries must be taken to the County Office of Education, 901 Blanco Circle, Salinas no later than May 4. Winners will have their work displayed at the airport June 2 through Aug. 19, while honorable mention winners will be on display at the office of education. For more information, call 373-2955 or 755-0300.

Hospice Volunteer Training Scheduled

Hospice of the Central Coast will begin a series of training and orientation classes for new volunteers starting May 8—a 25-hour program that runs over four weeks.

Volunteers will learn about Hospice, which provides Medicare-certified service for patients with life-threatening illnesses on the Monterey Peninsula, Salinas Valley and part of San Benito County. They also will be trained in active listening, assisting seriously ill patients and their families and using community resources during the second half of the course.

The training is conducted at the Hospice Resource Center in Monterey. For more information, telephone 649-1772.

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A Woman of Contradictions: The Life of George Eliot...Ina Taylor
A Vision of Britain...
Charles, Prince of Wales
The New Basics Cookbook...
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Elderhostels: The Students' Choice..Mildred L. Hyman
The Sound of Wings; the Life of Amelia Earhart...Mary S. Lovell
Between You and Me...Pearl Bailey

NEW FICTION

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Palace Walk...Najib Mahfuz
Deception: A Novel...Philip Roth
The Bourne Ultimatum...
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The Heretic's Apprentice (M)...
Ellis Peters
The Cambridge Theorem (M)...
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A Tenured Professor...
John Kenneth Galbraith
The Cloning of Joanna May...
Fay Weldon
The Message to the Planet...
Iris Murdoch
Travels in San Francisco...Herbert Gold

(M) Mystery

We are delighted to welcome Marci Madsen, our new fulltime Library Assistant, who joined our staff on April 10. Marci had been working at the Seaside Branch of the Monterey County Free Library.

Our walls this month are graced by the art work of the Circle Day Care children. Our display case houses a beautiful exhibition of Ukrainian-style Easter eggs by Tom (Duck) Kemper. If you have a collection or exhibit you'd like to share with the community, we have display-case space available after the month of June.

Pre-school storytime continues at the Carmel Valley Branch Library on the first and third Wednesday of the month at 10 a.m. These programs, presented by Betty Loring, are free, a half-hour in length, and open to children ages 3 and up.

Library Hours: Tuesday 11-8, Wednesdays and Fridays 10-6, Thursdays 2-6 and Saturdays 10-5. For information, call 659-2377.

Body of Long Missing Elderly Woman Found

The body of Helen Bjornvold, a 79-year-old widow with Alzheimer's disease who disappeared in September, was found near the Carmelite Monastery on April 5 about three miles from her Mission Fields home.

The body was discovered by tree trimmers working about 300 yards east of Highway 1.

Dental records confirmed that the body was Mrs. Bjornvold's. The cause of death was difficult to determine because of the body's decomposition, but a sheriff's investigators who was at the scene said nothing would indicate foul play.

Mrs. Bjornvold, who lived alone on Mesa Drive near Highway 1, disappeared Sept. 19, leaving her cane, purse and glasses in her home. Neighbors said two days before that she had wandered away from her home for a short while.

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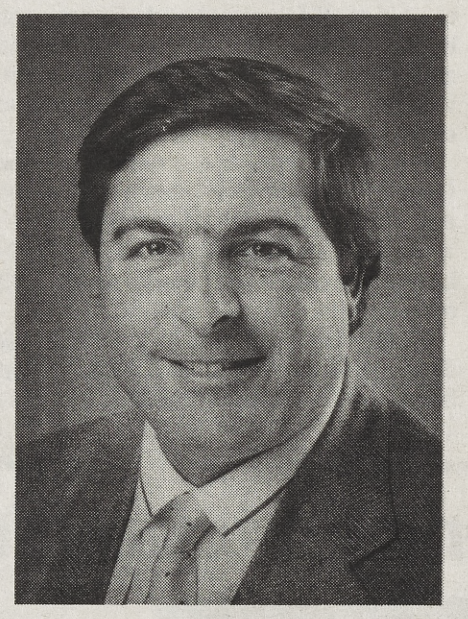
Real Estate Outlook

1989 Carmel Valley Home Sales Recap

By George Fusco, President
Carmel Board of Realtors



GEORGE FUSCO

1989 was a very active year in home sales throughout the Monterey Peninsula. Sales activity handled by Realtors through the Multiple Listing Service (MLS) on homes located from the "Mouth of the Valley" (Carmel Knolls/Carmel Views areas) all the way out to the Cachagua/Tassajara Road areas totalled over $50 million in 1989, at an average price of $377,000.

The most sales activity occurred in the following geographical areas during 1989:

Rancho Road/Country Club Drive/Laurel Drive/Upper El Caminito Road/ Boronda Road/Garzas Road/via Los Tulares...36 sales, $388,000 average price.

Carmel Knolls/Carmel Views Areas...17 sales, $443,000 average price.

Robles del Rio/Paso Hondo/Via Contenta/ Lower El Caminito Road...16 sales, $234,000 average price.

Meadows Road/Schulte Road/Berwick Drive...15 sales, $356,000 average price.

Cachagua Road/Tassajara Road Areas...9 sales, $302,000 average price.

Carmel Valley Golf & Country Club...8 sales, $487,000 average price.

Miramonte Road/La Rancheria/Laureles Grade Road/Upper Hidden Hills...8 sales, $444,000 average price.

These figures represent average sales prices for each of the above areas as compiled from statistics provided by the MLS. Individual streets within each area, in some instances, averaged significantly higher average sales prices than other streets in the same area.

At an overall average sales price of $377,000 for the Greater Carmel Valley Area, only Pebble Beach, Carmel South Coast and Carmel topped this average.

11,000 Sq. Ft. Home Wins Advisory Okay

On a 6 to 1 vote, the Upper Carmel Valley Advisory Committee approved a proposed 11,0000 sq. ft. residence in a neighborhood near Los Laureles Grade.

Plans for the Tudor-style home were submitted by Lee Newell, president of New Cities Development Group. Appearing before the advisory group April 4, Newell said he and his family planned to live in the home on Ring Lane where older homes in the neighborhood are usually no more than 3,000 sq. ft.

Jason Wachs cast the only dissenting vote. With the advisory group's approval, the proposal will now go to the Monterey County Planning Commission for its approval.

After the vote, one citizen said privately that he was concerned that the home would set a precedent for the construction of other large houses in the area.

"With all the money coming into this area, I'm afraid the Valley will suffer the same fate as Carmel, with smaller, older homes being torn down to make way for huge, ostentatious homes. If it does, the character of the Valley will definitely change—and not for the better."

Landmark Sale

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Landmark, headed by Gerald G. Barton,who lives on the South Coast, said if both phases of the agreement with Hon are carried out, it could result in some $470 million profit for Landmark. The second phase of the agreement with Hon must be completed by mid 1991, and Landmark will finance almost 80 percent of the sale.

Properties included in the first phase of the sales agreement in addition to Carmel Valley Ranch are Oak Valley and Moreno Valley Ranch in Riverside County and Oak Summit and Greenspot in San Bernardino County.

Properties that could be sold under the agreement's second phase include developments in South Carolina, Florida and Riverside and Placer Counties.

Hon's company, Palos Verdes Land Holdings, Inc., is owner-developer of property south of Los Angeles, and another of his firms, Foothill Ranch Co. is developing a 2,750 community in Orange County.

Landmark's present Carmel Valley Ranch holdings include a 100-room resort hotel and its adjacent golf and tennis facilities.

Arroyo Seco to Close For Construction Work

The Arroyo Seco Recreation Area in Los Padres National Forest will be closed from May 1 through most of the summer while new restrooms, additional parking spaces, more picnic tables and a new potable water system are constructed.

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The *Sun* makes every effort to report these sales accurately, but anyone should consult a Realtor or other investment professional before taking action based on this information.

Lower Carmel Valley

25675 Carmel Knolls Dr. Ira B. & Sandra Russak to Raymond T. & Darlene J. Parks. $376,500./

3587 Eastfield Ct. High Meadow II to James R. & Georgina M. Shooter. $480,000.

26055 Rotunda Dr. James H. Wester to Robert L. & Linda P. Wessel. $575,000.

1 Scarlett Rd. Barbara Larkin to Glenda Butler & Richard Dunham. $360,000.

11525 Rancho Fiesta Rd. Lloyd K., Jr., & Cynthia J. Daniel to Konrad E. Kaiser & Amy Berman. $251,000.

Underwood Rd. Tom & Brenda G. Potter to Steven & Judy Massolo. $90,000 (land).

3850 Rio Rd. George C. & Mary C. Goodman to Thomas J. & Vivian J. Sarmento. $220,000.

3600 High Meadow Dr. Joseph A. Morgan, Jr. & Michael D. Shirk to Richard G. & Carol A. Jones. $252,000.

3593 Eastfield Ct. High Meadow II to Ernest & Gladys H. Nowell. $465,000.

Del Mesa Carmel. J. Russell Croad to Frances W. Ostrom and Charles R. Ostrom. $290,000.

Upper Carmel Valley

10 Paso Cresta. Tony J. Mainz to Barbara G. Evans & Ronald K. Nelson. $245,000.

2 Lazy Oaks. Lewis W. & William J. Mixter III to Daniel R. O'Sullivan. $180,000.

Tassajara Rd. Robert S. & Cynthia Talbott to Gail D. Stooksberry. $190,000.

Cachagua Rd. M. J. Murphy, Inc., to Albert J. & Catherine M. Speh. $75,000 (land).

164 El Echo. Alan W. & Theresa E. Keane to James M. Dickman & Kenneth J. Meuers. $297,000.

Valle Vista Rd. Serge L. & Susan Bunting Backes to Phillip Schaeffer & Lynne Milne. $242,500.

Tassajara Rd. William D. Powell to Paul R. & Linda Richards. $79,500 (land).

Greater Carmel

William H. & Marilyn E. Fryback to Ronald W. & Patricia Phoebus. $329,500.

26351 Scenic Rd. John P. Ablan to Fech, Inc. $1,650,000.

26410 Birch Pl. Shelling & Lisa L. Hwong to Michael R. & Janice S. Ball. $300,000.

24380 S. San Luis. Central Coast Exchange to David J. & Virginia Horn.$625,000.

Carmel

San Antonio Ave. Dennis R. & Janice M. Shepherd to Kenneth B. & Linda E. Rawlings. $899,000

Dolores St. Michael & Barbara Purcell to Richard & Janis Outten. $520,000.

San Antonio Ave. Guarantee Financial Services to James J. & Vincee Viso. $2,075,000.

Dolores St. Donna L. & Herbert Rumsey III to Viola Equity Exchange. $550,000.

Mission St. Yardley M. Eckland to Ralph L. & Lorraine M. Hoyle. $435,000.

San Antonio Ave. Dennis R. & Janice M. Shepherd to Shepherd Development Corp. $700,000.

4903 Monterey St. William E. Himmelmann IV to Alan E. & Pamela S. Schmeiser. $349,000.

11th Ave. Mendek & Edith Rubin to Marsha M. Zelus. $860,500.

Casanova St. Frederick M. & Sharon L. Slabaugh to James L. & Caroline C. Gill. $850,000.

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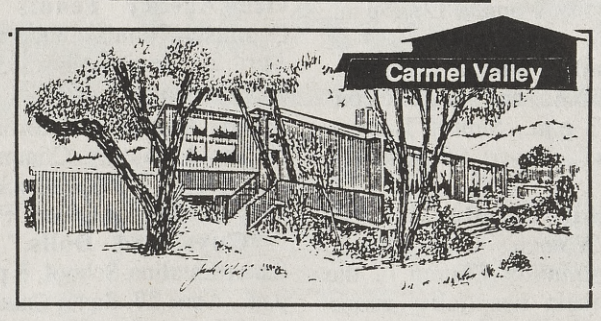

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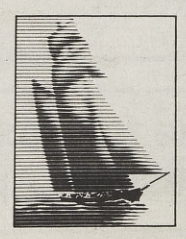

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Staff Players Repertory Company present "Outward Bound" April 19-May 19, Indoor Forest Theater; 624-1531 for tickets and information.

29th Annual Wildflower Show, Pacific Grove Museum of Natural History, April 20, 21 and 22. $1 donation requested.

5th Annual Show and Plant Sale, Monterey Bay Area Cactus and Succulent Society, April 28-29, Jardines de San Juan Restaurant courtyard, San Juan Batista. Admission free. 722-1446 or 728-4427.

2nd Annual Carmel Music Society Preview Reception, featuring cellist Peter Rejto, April 22, 5 p.m. Beach and Tennis Club, Pebble Beach. $45 tax deductible donation required. 624-9938 for reservations or information.

Tour of the Cooper-Molera Adobe, sponsored by the Monterey Peninsula Chapter of the American Association of University Women, 12:45 p.m., April 22. $1.

Carmel Chamber Music Competition, April 21, 1 p.m., and winners' concert, April 22, 3 p.m., Sunset Theater, Carmel. Winners' concert $5 auditions free. 625-2212.

May Day Hat Parade Contest, Carmel Valley Women's Club, May 2, 11:30 a.m., Community Church of the Monterey Peninsula hospitality room. 659-5449.

Tea Dance, sponsored by Luz Vi Minda Lions Club, 4:30 p.m. April 22, Monterey Sheraton, benefiting the visually impaired. $7 donation. 649-8235.

Sacramento Ballet, 2 and 8 p.m. April 21 and 2 p.m. April 22, Hidden Valley Campus, Carmel Valley. $8 and $5. 659-3115.

Model United Nations, by Monterey and Seaside High School students, 4 p.m. April 26, Crossroads Community Room. 647-9862.

Carmel Foundation's 1990 Review and Ice Cream Social, 2 p.m., April 21-22, 28-29. $5 including ice cream and topping. 624-1588.

Quilt Show, sponsored by the Monterey Bay Quilters Guild and the Heritage Society of Pacific Grove, April 21-22, 10-5, Chautauqua Hall, 16th & Central, Pacific Grove. $3, $2.50 for seniors.

"Divine Truth Frees You from Limitation," lecture by Jack Edward Hubbell, a member of the Christian Science Board of Lectureship, 11 a.m. April 28, Sunset Center. Free.

1st Annual Wilson/Family Service Agency Tennis Tournament, Chamisal Tennis Club, starting 9 a.m., April 22. Registration $35 for one event, $55 for two. 373-4421.

3rd Annual Community Concert by the Monterey Community Band, 2 p.m., April 22, Steinbeck Forum, Monterey Conference Center. Free. 646-3866.

"Guys and Dolls," presented by Santa Catalina School, 8 p.m. April 26, 1 p.m., April 27. Santa Catalina Performing Arts Center. Free. 649-1432.

Boys Choir of Harlem, 8 p.m., April 24, Sunset Theater, Carmel. $12.50 and $10. 624-3996 or 649-5561.

"Dreams of Women," slide show and lecture honoring the Peninsula's female writers and artists by John Thompson, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, April 21, Cherry Foundation, Carmel. Free. 624-7491.

Astronomer Bruce Weaver will present a slide show and lecture on Stonehenge, April 27, 8 p.m. Cherry Foundation, Carmel, $5. 624-7491.

8th Fish Dinner to benefit the Hospice, sponsored by Italian Catholic Federation, Branch #36 of Monterey, 6-8 p.m. San Carlos Hall, Church and Figueroa Streets, Monterey. $7 donation. 375-8265.

District-wide Spring Music Festival, Carmel Unified School District, 6:30 p.m. April 27, Sunset Center, Carmel. A reception in Carpenter Hall will follow the concert to honor the young musicians.

Laborer Pick-Up Point

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Valerie Weber, who operates Sunshine Children's Center, told the group she felt threatened when she encountered some of the men while jogging. As a result, she said she now stays away from them and keeps her 9-year-old son from walking near where they are.

Stew Clough of Stew's Plumbing who suggested the Public Works yard opposite the east parking lot at Garland Park, said portable toilets could be set up and screened from view with latticework and that arrangements could be made for catering trucks to serve the area.

On a voice vote with no audible disagreement, the group agreed to contact the Public Works Department and county politicians to see if details could be worked out.

Peter Coakley, who hosted the meeting at his Valley Lodge, said he felt the county had a major responsibility to try to solve the problem. "The county is responsible for the Village since we are not incorporated. If we were, we could do more of this on our own."

The meeting, called by the Carmel Valley Village Improvement Committee, was attended by Sgt. Bruce Palmer of the Sheriff's Department. He said recent court rulings had made trespassing and loitering laws difficult to enforce.

He also said that no crimes have been reported which are directly attributable to the men, that most of them have families, and that they tend to come to the Valley for work when field jobs are scarce in the Salinas Valley. "Lettuce really hasn't started up in the Salinas Valley yet," Palmer said.

While many of the men apparently do live outside the Valley, participants said some of them live in in Cachagua and in locations near the Village.

Other alternative areas that were discussed and rejected included a vacant field on the west end of Del Fino. It was ruled out after the group was told that Tularcitos School already was locking the eastern gates to its playyard and using more teachers as monitors in that area because of the presence of the men.

Garland Park's parking lot also was discussed, but Allaire said he talked to Park Manager Gary Tate, who was "not enthusiastic" about the prospect of portable toilets being set up for the men to use.

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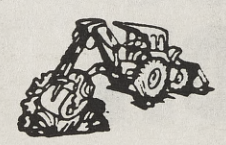

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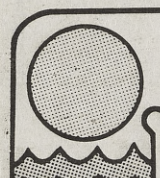

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Celebrations are planned throughout the Peninsula this week to mark the 20th anniversary of Earth Day, April 22, an event aimed at promoting environmental awareness throughout the world.

The Earth Day in Monterey County Planning Committee has created a fund to help promote and finance a number of events. They include a community conference at Monterey Peninsula College on Saturday along with a street fair emphasizing alternatives to environmentally harmful products and practices. On Sunday, there will be a celebration from noon to 5 p.m. at Toro Regional Park.

Donations can be made to Monterey County Bank.

Some of the other events include:

Richard Norsewood, NASA expert, presents a slide talk, "Global Environment: The View from Space" at Monterey Bay Aquarium, April 17, 7 p.m and April 18, Noon.

Monterey Peninsula College Outdoor Amphitheater, skits, speakers, discussion, Noon-1 p.m., April 20.

Dr. John Martin, director of Moss Landing Marine Lab will lecture on "Hope for a Hot Planet: Oceans and the Greenhouse Effect," 7 p.m. Monterey Aquarium.

"Vision 2000," a conference on how to help at the community level sponsored by the Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments (AMBAG) MPC Music Hall, 9-4 p.m., April 21.

Day of Alternatives, Alvarado Street, Monterey, an eco-fair, 10-5 p.m. April 21.

Cannery Row "Poppy Festival" with Hinton the Clown, 11-4 p.m., April 21.

Lover's Point, Pacific Grove, pre-dawn ceremony and the Dance of Life. Arrive before sunrise, April 22.

Garland Park Trail Clean-up, 8:30-1 p.m., bring lunch, followed by an interpretive hike and tour of Rancho Don Juan, April 22.

Asilomar Beach, volunteers join the California State Parks Dept. in planting native dune plants. 10-Noon, April 22.

Monterey Bay Aquarium, free admission to the first 5,000 persons bringing two or more grocery bags full of recyclable newspapers, tin, glass, plastic or aluminum. One ticket per person up to 4 per family, April 22.

Sierra Club Hatton Canyon Hike with Noel Mapstead. Bring lunch and wear hiking shoes. Meet behind Bank of America at Crossroads, Carmel. 11-2 p.m. April 28.

The Monterey Bay Dunes Coalition will host a slide show, "Parks or Pavement," Monterey Library, 7:30 p.m., April 19.

California Poppy Festival will be held at Cannery Row, April 21-22.

The City of Carmel-by-the-Sea will host a leisurely community walk starting at 9 a.m. at the Torres Street Property to Mission Trail park, Mountain View Entrance, Hodges Property for a tree planting, and the Beach at Eighth Avenue, April 22.

Cooper-Molera Adobe will have an open house, 10-5 p.m., April 21 and 22.

Monterey pines will be given away for planting by Monterey Peninsula residents, Asilomar State Beach Noon-2 p.m., April 22.

Friends of the Sea Otters/Monterey Bay Kayaks will treat children to an afternoon of sea kayaking, Monterey Bay, April 22.

Setting It Straight

In its April 4 issue, the *Sun* incorrectly reported that the Monterey Bay Aquarium, as part of its Earth Day observance April 22, will give free admission tickets to the first 5,000 people who bring in a large grocery bag filled with recyclable newspapers, plastic, glass, tin or aluminum. It should have said that free tickets would go to the first 5,000 bringing in two large bags full.

A Thought for Earth Day

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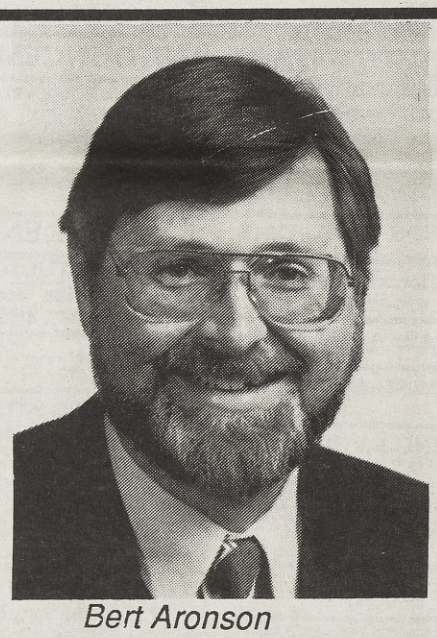
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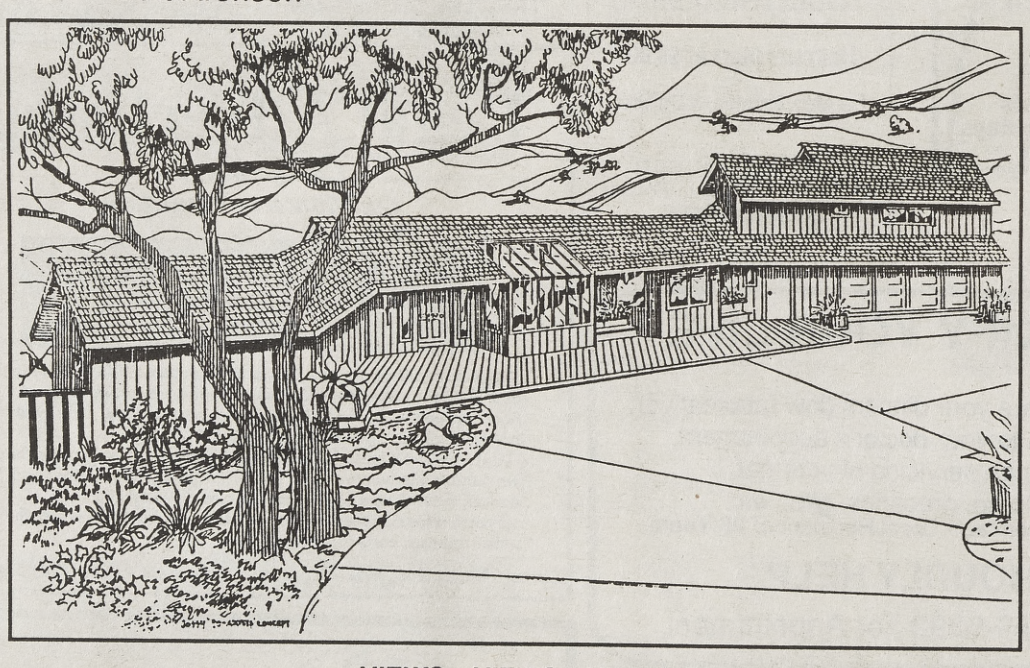

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